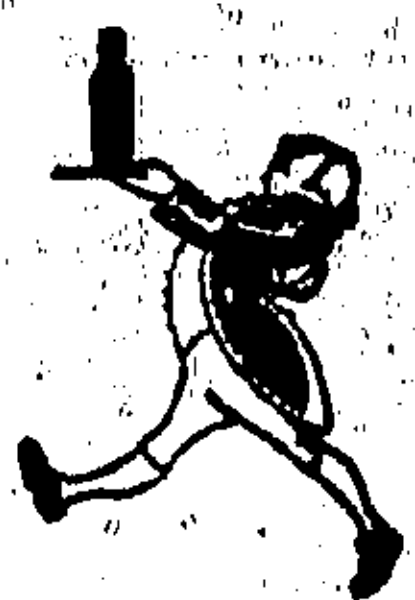


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DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS.

TODAY.

(March 23.)

A Lent Mission at Catholic Cathedral, 8 p.m.; Subject: "The Crowning Glory."

Meetings: Annual Meeting of the Hong Kong Electric Co., Ltd., 11 a.m.; China Entertainment and Land Investment Co., noon; Lawn Bowls Association, Jardine's Boardroom, 3.30 p.m.

Hockey: Club v. H.K.S.R.A. (Marina ground) 5.15 p.m.

Lawn Tennis:—

OPEN DOUBLES.

T. Honda and T. Akiyama v. Ho Ka Lau and Yew Man Kit (stand court).

Lee Wai Tong and Luk Ding Cheung v. A. V. Remedios and L. A. Ribeiro.

H. A. Barros and F. J. Remedios v. A. J. da Silva and E. de Sousa.

HANDICAP SINGLES "A."

D. J. Valentine (owe 1/6) v. E. J. E. Nash (rec. 2/6).

C. E. Holmes (owe 1/6) v. S. E. Green (owe 1/6) or C. F. Hyde (owe 1/6).

A. B. Raworth (rec.) v. L. Forster (owe 1/1) or G. W. Sewell (owe 1/2).

HANDICAP SINGLES "B."

J. J. Ferguson (owe 5/6) v. D. F. C. Cleland (rec.).

A. H. Ponn (owe 1/6) v. G. W. Stubb (owe 1/6).

R. R. Todd (owe 3/6) v. F. G. Nigel (rec. 3/6).

HANDICAP DOUBLES.

F. A. Redmond and L. Forster (owe 1/2) v. D. M. MacDougall and G. W. A. Tufton (owe 1/6).

Central Theatre: "Around the World in 80 Minutes."

King's Theatre: "Tilly of Bloomsbury."

Queen's Theatre: "Beau Hunk."

Star Theatre: "Sea Bat."

World Theatre: "Soul and Flesh" (Chinese film).

Ten Dances at King's Restaurant and Hong Kong Hotel; Dinner Dances at Hong Kong Hotel, Peninsula Hotel and King's Restaurant.

European Mail:—Inward: Europe via Suez (Rawalpindi); Outward: Europe via Siberia (Chibub Maru) 8.30 a.m.

THURSDAY.

(March 24.)

Mourning Thursday.

Lammert's Sale of Household Furniture, Royal Observatory, Kowloon, 10.30 a.m.

China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd., annual meeting, noon.

Meeting of the Hong Kong University Medical Society, Union Assembly Room. Speaker: Dr. A. B. Jackson on "Mosquitoes."

Annual Dinner of Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders, 8.30 p.m.

King's College Annual Athletic Sports, South China ground, Caroline Hill, 1 p.m.

17th Bi-Annual Race for Ship's Lifeboats, Trevelyan Trophy, 4 p.m.

Hong Kong Cricket Club Tennis Tournament:—

OPEN SINGLES.

Y. Hachiuma v. J. A. Casumbhoy.

EQUALITY OF THE SEXES ONLY A MYTH

THE WORLD'S WIVES ARE THE LAW'S FAVOURITES.

BY HIS HONOUR JUDGE MC-CLEARY.

The physical differences between a man and a woman and the essential variance in their objects and ambitions in life render it impossible to compare the one with the other without qualifications.

A man, whether married or single, in the front which he presents to the outside world is the same man. A woman, when single, may elect to fight the battle of life, and she may justifiably claim equal rights with those possessed by a member of the other sex.

As a married woman she is in a somewhat anomalous position. She may elect to pursue her career, if she has one, just as though she had not married; or she may prefer to regard marriage as her career.

The man is always the fighting animal, fighting to maintain himself, or himself and his wife, or himself and his wife and children.

The woman, if single, may be fighting to maintain herself. If married, she may be fighting to maintain herself, with or without the help of her husband, or she may be relying upon her husband to fight for her. If she is a mother she may have abandoned the fight of life and devoted herself to the care of her husband and children. In balancing the equality of the sexes it is impossible to weigh them in the same scales.

How, therefore, can the rights of a woman in her various capacities be compared with those of a man? As a woman she now suffers from little if any, legal disadvantage.

The Sex Disqualification (Removal) Act, 1919, purported to remove her disadvantages. By virtue of its provisions she is no longer disqualified by sex or marriage from the exercise of any public function, or from following any vocation or calling.

HUSBAND'S LIABILITY.

As a married woman she is not deprived of any of her legal rights so far as the outside world is concerned. She may still pursue her career in life, if she should think fit so to do, with the same freedom she enjoyed before her marriage.

If she is an employed person her employer may object to employ her on the ground that she is a married woman just as he may object to employ a one-eyed man. He may consider that her earning capacity is not equal to that of a man. But these are not considerations which have reference to legal rights.

When a woman marries she adds materially to her rights. Her husband, on the other hand, materially increases his obligations. Whatever may be said of the rights and obligations of a single woman compared with those of a single man, the position of a married woman is immeasurably superior to that of a married man.

In law she has forfeited little, if any, of her freedom. Her husband in law has little, if any, control over her. And yet his obligations to her and his responsibilities for her are enormous.

He is bound to maintain her according to his estate or condition in life. Even if she leaves him he may in certain circumstances be compelled to contribute to her support. She has no duty to support him even if the necessity should arise and she is well able to do so.

It is true that if he becomes chargeable to a poor law authority and she has means the magistrates may make a maintenance order against her separate property, but unless he throws himself on the parish, as it were, she is under no obligation.

A wife has an implied authority to pledge her husband's credit for necessities suitable to his station in life. It is a right which is freely

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AIRWAYS AND AVIATION.

FLYING "MOTHER SHIPS."

AIR MINISTRY'S FLYING WORKSHOP.

MAINTAINING AIR SQUADRONS FAR FROM BASE.

New ideas in marine air strategy are responsible for the design of new giant flying boats more than twice the size of any previously built, one of which is now being constructed to the order of the Air Ministry and is likely to take the air soon.

Maintenance of the aeroplane in active service away from the base is, as with all other fighting units, largely a problem of supply. The aeroplanes must be re-fuelled daily; ammunition and other war-like equipment must be continually reaching the unit; the personnel must have food and clothing. Further, the aircraft must not be out of action for long periods because of lack of spares. All kinds of parts, including engines and certain essential components, must move with the squadrons if possible; alternatively, there must be an efficient and swift system of communication with a base located not too far away. Frequently, too, there will arise the need to transport men, taking wounded and sick back to the base, and bringing new men to the scene of operations.

Realisation that a swift and sure maintenance system is essential, particularly in air warfare of the

LATEST R.A.F. MACHINE.

NEW "GENERAL PURPOSE" WARPLANE.

LOAD CARRYING, LONG RANGE AND HIGH SPEED.

Many and diverse are the duties allotted to the "general purpose" aeroplanes of the Royal Air Force. Reconnaissance, aerial photography, long range patrol, message picking up, army co-operation, ambulance work, offensive and defensive fighting, day bombing—all of these tasks and many another may come within the working year of a British "G.P." plane. The stationing of Royal Air Force units in the Mediterranean, the Middle East, and India as well as at home has imposed a particular need for easily adaptable machines of this type that does not exist to the same extent in the air service of any other country.

The typical British "general purpose" aircraft is a high-performance biplane equipped with an engine of 500 h.p. or so, and carrying a crew of two or three men. Most extensively used of these machines in the British service at present is the Westland "Wapiti," a sturdy, dependable craft which forms the flying equipment of no fewer than eighteen army co-operation and day bomber squadrons. Driven by a "Jupiter" air-cooled radial motor, the "Wapiti" is capable of considerable speed and carries a heavy load effectively and far; for several years it has borne the chief part of the burdens impos-

AN AERO ENGINE REFRIGERATOR.

THE "STARTING FROM COLD" PROBLEM.

THE NEW MAGNESIUM PROPELLER.

Starting of aero engines from cold in countries like Canada, where the winter temperatures fall many degrees below zero, is a matter of primary importance in the operation of air transport in many parts of the world. Even in air-cooled engines, which carry no water to assist cooling, the lubricating oil gets frozen immovably below a certain degree of cold, and the task of "warming up" before flight may become the back-breaking and tedious toil of two or three hours.

The Bristol company have recently installed a huge refrigerator for engine tests in arctic conditions. The power unit is placed overnight in the refrigerator, which is in principle exactly the same as the household meat safe. In the morning, when it is well frozen, the engine is taken out and the time to start it is recorded. Astonishingly brief times have been measured in tests, due to the employment of a new device incorporated in the engine which helps the oil to circulate freely within a few minutes.

Light Propellers.

Among the other development activities of the company is the design and construction of magnesium propellers. This novel kind of air-screw has been produced for geared engines, because it was found that the combined weight of steel screw and gearing imposed too great a weight at the front of the aeroplane. Every Durham was found to be too heavy.

Magnesium alloys are less than half the weight of aluminium alloys, and in solid form the metal is hard, durable and forgeable. Photographers who use the powdered metal and ribbon for flashlights will be interested to hear that a magnesium propeller, after passing through all treatments involved in the process of manufacture, has a dark-brown enamel-like polish; is not brittle; and can be readily straightened if it is bent in an accident. Further, this metal, at first thought completely unpromising, has been found to stand up to all the loads imposed in transmitting the hundreds of horsepower developed by the powerful service engines with which magnesium propellers have been tested.

THE PRINCE ON HOLIDAY.

WITH WESTLAND WESSEX "PLANE."

Readers may remember that H.R.H. the Prince of Wales spent a holiday on the Continent from the middle of August to the middle of September of last year. He long ago gave impetus to the progress of civilian flying by becoming an aeroplane owner, and has been a consistent user of this form of transport. It is therefore understandable that when he took the holiday to which we have referred he should use an aeroplane for some considerable part of this travel.

The machine he used, piloted by Flight Lieut. Fielden, was a Westland Wessex powered with three Genet Major engines. These engines were lubricated by Mobilil Aero "H" and throughout the flying, the engines and the lubricant functioned perfectly. The total flying time amounted to thirty hours and the cruising speed was never less than 100 m.p.h.

The oil tanks were filled with (Continued on Previous Column.)

PREPARING FOR REVOLUTION?

POLICE FEARS OF GERMAN NAZI INTENTIONS.

EXTENSIVE RAIDS CARRIED OUT.

Berlin, Mar. 17.—Wholesale police raids upon the headquarters and branches of the National Socialist Party were carried out to-day throughout Prussia.

According to an official announcement of the Prussian Government, the swift and unexpected action of the police is intended to nip in the bud the National Socialists' preparations to seize power by violence.

Following the overwhelming victory of President Hindenburg over Herr Hitler, leader of the Nazis, in the presidential election last week, information reached the Prussian authorities that the Hitlerites were preparing a revolution.

The "storm troops" of the National Socialists were preparing to mobilise and launch a civil war. Prussian authorities charge their complete orderliness during the election having been intended to lull the Government into a false sense of security.

"Even More Crushing Defeat."

Berlin, Mar. 17.—German communists were branded as "traitors to the working class" in a manifesto issued to-day by the Socialist Party calling upon all its followers to cast their votes again for President von Hindenburg in the second presidential ballot for April 10.

The manifesto insists that on that date "an even more crushing defeat must be administered to Herr Hitler than in the first presidential ballot."

EQUALITY OF THE SEXES ONLY A MYTH.

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exercised, and, as may be well imagined, few husbands will dispute their obligations in this respect, though their wives may have grossly exceeded their authority.

A husband may be sued jointly with his wife in an action for damages for any wrong committed by her. If she inflicts injury upon a third party he may be made liable for any damages, though he knew nothing of the wrong which she committed and strongly disapproved of her conduct in that respect. And he has no right of indemnity against her or her separate property, if she has any, in respect of those damages and the costs that may be incurred.

OBLIGATIONS.

It is a wife's duty to live with her husband. If she refuses his only remedy is to petition for restitution of conjugal rights. He is not entitled to restrain her by force or to keep her in confinement. He may obtain a decree in his favour, but poor will be his consolation of this has to happen.

It is a fundamental principle in jurisprudence that equal rights connote equal obligations. On a consideration of the rights which women now possess, as compared with those of a man, someone may, perhaps, be heard to say that they are not equal upon in life to shoulder equal obligations.

Perhaps it is right that their obligations should not be as great as those of a man. Possibly "equality of the sexes" is but a myth and can never, the conditions of life being what they are, become a reality.

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1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press news, mail notices, etc.
2 p.m.—Close down.
5 to 7 p.m.—Chinese programme.
6 to 6.30 p.m.—Children's concert.
7 to 10.30 p.m.—European programme.
7 p.m.—Mail notice, etc.
7.03 to 9 p.m.—Programme of Columbia records supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.
7.03 to 7.15 p.m.—

Orchestral.

"Three Dances" from Henry VIII. (German).—Sir Dan Godfrey conducting the Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra.—357.
"Chanson Bellemontaise" (Baldi and Nussbaum).
"The Clock is Playing" (Blaauw).—Jean Lensen and his Orchestra.—741.
7.15 to 7.30 p.m.—

Organ Solos.

"Cinderella Waltz" (Putnam).
"Alice Where Art Thou?"—Putnam.—DB101.
"In a Persian Market" (Ketelbey).
"In a Chinese Temple Garden" (Ketelbey).—Quentin M. Maclean.—46214.
"Esmeralda" (Ponce).
"La Golondrina" (Mexican Air).—Emil Velasco.—DB85.
7.38 to 8 p.m.—

Sea Shanties.

"Away for Rio" (Carey).
"Sheenadoh" (Carey).—Arthur Jordan (Tenor).—3563.
(a) "Blow, My Bully Boys, Blow" (b) "Billy Boy" (arr. Terry).
"Island Shelling Song."—Greenock Male Voice Choir.—4523.
(a) "Tom's Gone to Hilo" (b) "What Shall We Do with the Drunken Sailor" (arr. Terry).
(a) "Blow the Man Down" (b) "The Merchant Ship" (arr. Terry and Shaw).—The League of Arts Choir.—4503.
8 p.m.—Local time and weather report.
8.05 to 8.12 p.m.—

Operatic.

Orchestral—"La Tosca" (Puccini).—Prelude Act. 3.—Milan Symphony Orchestra.—5394.
Chorus—"La Gioconda" (Ponchielli).—Festa e Fane.
Chorus—"Madame Butterfly" (Puccini).—Humming Chorus.—4501.
Pianoforte Solo—"Rosenkavalier" (R. Strauss arr. Grainger).—Fantasy on Love Themes.—Percy Grainger.—DB38.
Chorus—"Lombardi" (Vardi).—O Signore Che Dal Tetto Natio.
Chorus—"Carmen" (Bizet).—Chorus of Cigarette Girls.—La Scala Chorus of Milan.—4500.
Orchestral—"The Barber of Seville—Overture" (Rossini).—Percy Pitt conducting the B.B.C. Wireless Symphony Orchestra.—1016.
Organ Solo—"Frederica—O Maiden, My Maiden" (Lohar).—Quentin Maclean.—DB277.
8.42 to 9 p.m.—"Wembley Military Tattoo" played by the Reg. Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards conducted by Capt. George Miller. 9073/9074.
9 to 10.30 p.m.—

European Concert from the Studio Programme.

- Pianoforte Solo—"Medley of Fox trots and Waltzes"—Miss Doreen Ma.
- Songs—(a) "Lover Come Back to Me" (b) "Pagan Love Song"—Miss Pamela Bell (Soprano) accompanied by Mr. G. W. True.
- Humorous Monologue—"The Girl on the Ferry"—Mr. S. A. Sweet.
- Songs—(a) "Love" (b) "Kiss Me Goodnight"—Miss Joan Bell (Contralto) accompanied by Mr. G. W. True.
- Violin Solo—"Selected"—Mr. Harold Leong accompanied by Miss Doreen Ma.
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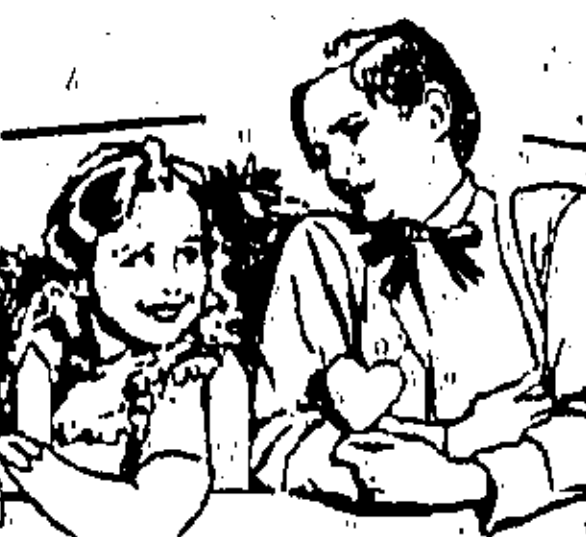
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BRIAN AHERNE'S BIG SUCCESS.

Brian Ahern, who, in the old days scored a big success with Marjorie Hume in "The Squire of Long Hadley," is as well known in the stage world as on the screen. He plays opposite Madeleine Carroll in British International's "The W Plan"—the screen adaptation of Graham Seton's famous novel, which is showing at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow, and which was directed by Victor Saville of Burlington Films.

In this production, Brian Ahern is seen with closely cropped hair and a moustache—he takes the rôle of a German Officer, Clifford Hetherley, Gibb McLaughlin, Norah Howard, Mary Jerrold and Austin Trevor of "Bitter Sweet" fame, and who made a decided hit in the talkie, "At the Villa Rose," are also in the cast.

On the screen there is no way of adapting the spacing to the audience and its mood. If the director allows too much space after a laugh without dialogue or important business, the laugh stops and there is a dull period, a gap in the action. If he allows too little, the laugh drowns out the beginning of important lines. If he allows just enough, it's all right. But—the dear public laughs at different places in different towns. It's a problem alright.

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WHERE ARE THE TALKIES GOING

LONDON CRITIC WANTS NEW TYPE OF FILM.

As I inspect my notes on the new talking pictures presented in London, I am reminded that I have just read a new novel of a fishing hamlet on the Yorkshire coast, writes Seton Margrave in the *Daily Mail*. "His material furnishings are two cobbles, a lifeboat, great frowning cliffs, and the uncertain sea. His people are two families of in-shore fishermen, fiercely competitive, intensely possessive, yet men of fine humour and infinite courage."

I wonder whether any British talking-picture producer will have the nerve to film such a novel, not because of its visual wealth, which is inexhaustible, or because of its possibilities for eloquent sound, which are unique, but because of its inspirational impulse? I am convinced that the reason for much of the present sickness of the film world in that talking-picture production has lost moral direction.

To-day there are only two of seven new films in respect of which it is worth while to seek any excuse for their existence. Only two have the high dramatic value which is compounded of a definite artistic purpose and a clear philosophy unfolded with human tenderness and understanding.

In saying that I am not seeking to lecture our talking-picture producers, I am merely confessing a standard of criticism. I think it essential in reporting faithfully on any film to discover its aim and to decide whether, in that aim, there is any worthiness.

"Emma," in which Miss Marie Dressler gives the most sympathetic performance of her career, is the unselfish devotion of an old housekeeper to four motherless children. The story was written by Miss Frances Marion, who wrote both "Min and Bill" and "The Champ." The film was directed by Mr. Clarence Brown, whose versatile talent you have seen in such contrasted talking pictures as "Anna Christie" and "A Free Soul."

The undercurrent of this drama is frankly sentimental, but it contains many generous passages of irresistible laughter, typical of which is a visit to a flying school and an adventure on a machine used to measure giddiness.

Miss Dressler did not enjoy the making of these scenes. The plot required her to wander round a flying school and to dodge an aeroplane just making a landing. She hated it. She has the same affection for an aeroplane as a mouse for a cat.

It was when Miss Dressler was at work on "Emma" that she received the gold medal of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for having given in "Min and Bill" the finest film performance of 1931. The award was presented by Mr. Charles Curtis, Vice-President of the United States, at a great banquet in Hollywood. "May I call you, Marie?" asked Mr. Curtis. "Sure! You call me anything you like, and I'll call you Charlie," said Miss Dressler.

"Sooky" and "Lord Babs." The other outstanding film of the week is "Sooky," at the Plaza. The theme is the heart of a boy.

It is impossible to exaggerate the profound human appeal of this talking picture. In its fidelity to the ways of childhood it is never at fault, and it is immeasurably distinguished by the acting of Jackie Cooper, who, at the age of eight, plays with unequalled artistry. His is an astonishing and amazing performance—all the more so because he is at his best in scenes of real poignancy and in complete repose. He is the wonder of Hollywood.

I am told his ambition is to be an author. One of his latest stories concerns two penniless men, in Chicago. These two men decide that Chicago has no future. Therefore they purchase railway tickets, costing twenty pounds. When it was pointed out to the young author that two penniless men would not possess twenty pounds, he showed himself completely superior to the shades of criticism. "Why not?" he asked. "Anybody can have money in a story, and, anyway, that is my story and I am sticking to it."

In the Plaza programme also we have the British farcical comedy "Lord Babs," adapted from the stage play written by Mr. Keble Howard. This is a boisterous entertainment starring Mr. Bobby Hovos, who in the earlier sequences is excellent. For those who appreciate knock-about comedy there is entertainment in plenty in "Lord Babs," and I think in the case of Mr. Alfred Drayton our studios have at last done justice to a grand character actor.

"Men in Her Life."

The most attractive feature of "Men in Her Life," at the Leicester Square Theatre, is an exceptionally honest performance by Mr. Charles Bickford, who began his working life as a stoker in the United States Navy. Here he plays the part of a reformed gangster who falls in love with a society girl. The foundation of this drama is the usual wild American society girl whose well-known experiments in love have ceased to arouse even the mildest interest in this usually susceptible critic. This foundation, however, is considerably redeemed by the dog-like devotion of the great-hearted gangster, while the pill is certainly softened by the charm of Miss Lois Moran.

"To-night or Never."

Ever since her triumphant acting in the "Trespasser," Miss Gloria Swanson has been unfortunate in her pictures. As a play "To-night or Never," now in talking-picture form at the Tivoli, was an outstanding success on the American stage. As talking picture drama it is only moderate, and as material for Miss Swanson it is impossible.

In "To-night or Never" Miss Swanson is handicapped by the part of a prima donna, resolved to have an affair with an unknown admirer who moons about the street in front of her hotel window in Venice. Later this forsaken youth turns out to be an agent for the Metropolitan Opera House in New York. If you can believe that an American impresario before whom the whole of operatic Europe trembled would behave like an idiot, don't let me stop you!

MOVIE NEWS

On the Screen in Hong Kong.

COLOUR FILM REVUE.

BABY FOLLIES IN FORM.

One of the most novel short subjects produced is the all-talking and -singing colour-tone revue, "The Baby Follies" which is being shown with the Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy comedy, "Beau Hunks" on the screen at the Queen's Theatre, with an amazing cast of juvenile players.

Gus Edwards, famous discoverer of child talent, staged this highly entertaining revue, introducing to the public a group of new "finds" of rare ability, the youngsters ranging from four to twelve years of age.

Little Douglas Scott, 4-year-old master-of-ceremonies does a side-splitting imitation of Jack Benny and the dancing chorus of tiny tots displays an astounding routine of tap dances.

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Love" (from "The Love of Mike") (b) "One Kiss"—Miss Pamela Bell (Soprano) accompanied by Mr. G. W. True.

7. Pianoforte Solo—"Medley of Fox Trots and Waltzes"—Miss Doreen Ma.

8. Songs—(a) "It Happened in Monterey" (b) "Old New England Moon"—Miss Joan Bell (Contralto) accompanied by Mr. G. W. True.

9. Violin Solos—"Selected"—Mr. Harold Leong, accompanied by Miss Doreen Ma.

10. Humorous Monologue—"To Serenade Kowloon"—Mr. S. A. Sweet.

11. Vocal Duets—(a) "Springtime in the Rockies" (b) "Till We Meet Again"—The Misses Pamela and Joan Bell accompanied by Mr. G. W. True.

10.20 p.m. (approx.)—Rugby mid-day Press news.

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DOUG'S BIG SUCCESS.

DELIGHTED AUDIENCES AT CENTRAL THEATRE.

Audiences at The Central Theatre during the last three days were greatly pleased by Douglas Fairbanks' "Around the World in 80 Minutes."

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It would be difficult to say whether the film is more humorous or more exciting, for with the magic of Doug's sense of humour, thrills give way to laughs on the least provocation. "Around the World" could well be called a comedy, one of the best of this or any other year, were it not for the richness of strange and interesting facts about the countries with which the record is dramatised. As a distinguished guest of the rulers and peoples of the various countries, the party were permitted to encroach with their camera on territory ordinarily forbidden the less influential traveller.

The fascinating features of this film are too numerous to enumerate. Famous personages speak from the screen and there is a running flow of explanation from Doug, most of it in a humorous vein.

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"HUCKLEBERRY FINN."

BUSY TIME FOR HOLLYWOOD JUNIORS.

Screen juveniles are experiencing the busiest year in the history of the motion picture industry.

Especially is this true at the Paramount studio in Hollywood, where more children have been employed so far this year than have even been engaged on any film lot during any previous twelve-month period.

Juvenile activity reached a new peak with the filming of "Huckleberry Finn," which will show at the King's Theatre to-morrow, when a couple of hundred youngsters of assorted ages went to work in support of Jackie Coogan, Mitz Green, Junior Durkin and Jackie Seale. "Huckleberry Finn" is the second of the Mark Twain classics to be filmed by Paramount this year. The first was "Tom Sawyer."

"Forbidden Adventure," adapted from the Sinclair Lewis story, "Let's Play King," kept a large number of young actors busy for several weeks. A sequence of the Four Marx Brothers' current comedy, "Monkey Business," gave employment to about fifty children.

"Skippy," of course, provided work for more than a hundred youngsters. Hollywood movie studios, even in this boom year, have found no difficulty finding juvenile talent. There is always an over-supply. Various organizations, including the Motion Picture Producers Association, have repeatedly issued statements that Hollywood has more than ample talent to meet its needs.

Norman Taurog, who made "Skippy" and "Forbidden Adventure," and recently completed directing "Huckleberry Finn," says that his experience in these three juvenile-starring pictures has convinced him that Hollywood contains all the child talent it will need for years to come.

THE DIRECTOR'S BIG PROBLEM.

PROPER TIMING OF LAUGHS.

What is the motion picture comedy director's greatest problem? Spacing laughs, according to Eddie Cline, who directed Chaplin, Mabel Normand and Buster Keaton and most of the famous comedians of Mack Sennett, two-reel days. Witness his talkie, which is coming on Sunday next to the Queen's Theatre, Radio Pictures "Hook, Line and Sinker," co-starring Bert Wheeler and Robert Woolsey, as proof of successful laugh spacing. Laughs have to be spaced with care because laughter drowns out "lines." On the stage, comedians merely wait until a laugh is over before they go on with their lines. (Continued on next column.)



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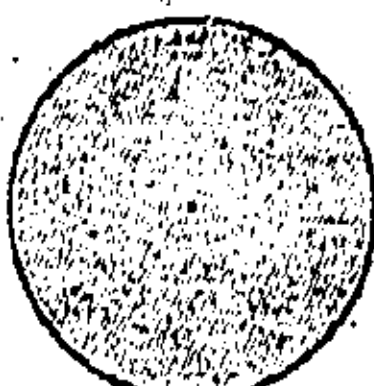
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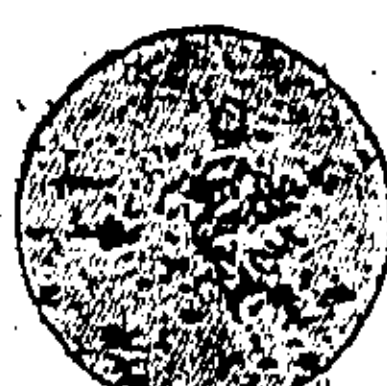
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TEL. 57155.ANNAMITE CASE
RECALLED.PRIVY COUNCIL CONSIDERS
DEPORTATION ORDER.

The Privy Council is considering the appeal submitted by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, K.C., against a warrant of deportation issued by the Governor of Hong Kong last October against the alleged Annamite revolutionary, Sung Man Cho.

It will be remembered that the action of the Governor was last October upheld by the Supreme Court, after which Mr. F. C. Jenkin, K.C., gave notice of appeal to the Privy Council; pending the decision of this, the highest court in the Empire, the Supreme Court of Hong Kong granted a stay of execution of the warrant.

Messrs. Russ & Co., solicitors for Sung Man Cho, state that the matter is still under consideration by the Privy Council.

ATTACK ON THE
KUOMINTANG.

"DOMINATION OF POLITICAL STAGE ALONE."

SCENE AT PEIPING
MEETING.

Peking, Mar. 12.—During a meeting at the Central Park here this morning to commemorate the seventh anniversary of the death of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, a man near the platform shouted: "At a time of national crisis, it is improper for the Kuomintang to dominate the political stage alone."

This was evidently a signal for the crowd, which started hurling stones, copper coins and anything else handy at the speakers.

The gendarmes present drew their swords and eventually quelled that riot, during which a policeman had his thumb cut off. Six arrests were effected. The meeting broke up in disorder.

It is not certain whether the agitators were Communists or reactionaries.

It was found after the disturbance that the rioters had smashed the portrait of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, which was on display on the platform.

Nanking Observes Holiday.

Nanking, Mar. 12.—All flags here were at half-mast to-day in commemoration of the seventh anniversary of the death of Dr. Sun Yat-sen. A holiday was proclaimed and memorial services were held in different Government and Party offices in the morning.

All amusement houses closed for the day. The Foreign Office staff remained on duty as usual, although other Government offices were closed.

There was a memorial service this morning at central party headquarters which was attended by General Chiang Kai-shek, Mr. Wang Ching-wei, Mr. Ku Meng-tu, General Chen Ming-shu, Mr. Chu Ming-yi and others.

Mr. Wang, speaking on the Sino-Japanese situation expressed regret that very little had been achieved since Dr. Sun's death in 1923. In this world where might was held supreme weak nations were in constant danger of aggression, Dr. Sun was determined to see freedom and equality for China and so organised the Party, the fundamental principle of which was to resist external aggression.

However, China's neighbour was unwilling to see China enjoy freedom and equality and so kept on exploiting China, good evidence of which was found in the Twenty-one Demands and the Tsinan incident. But China was determined to get rid of the yoke of oppression and would struggle for her own salvation.

Referring to resistance of Japan, Mr. Wang said China being weak in the military sense as compared with Japan she must lay emphasis on both military means and diplomacy. Mr. Wang warned the Chinese people to exercise the greatest care in publicity and to refrain from posting absurd bills on walls.

JACK DEMPSEY NOW
LESS TERRIBLE.STILL A GREAT FIGHTER
THOUGH NOT WHAT HE
USED TO BE.

Chicago, February 20.—The biggest question in connection with Jack Dempsey's contemplated "comeback" is his physical condition, but there is enough evidence to suggest that he has an excellent chance to get himself in as good condition as he was when he fought Gene Tunney and Jack Sharkey in 1920 and 1927.

"The musculature of Jack Dempsey is that of a man 25 years of age," said an eminent surgeon. "He has no physical defects and no superfluous flesh on any part of his body. His heart, lungs, and other vital organs are in perfect condition."

Dempsey will be 37 on June 24, and he had been out of the ring since September 22, 1927, when he failed to regain the title from Tunney, until August 19, 1931, when he opened his exhibition tour in Reno, Nevada.

Dempsey at present is a long way from being the same man who "conquered" Willard, Mike, Brennan, Carpenter, Gibbons, and Firpo, but he is far from finished as a fighter. The surest thing about him is his punch. His legs may go back on him, his stamina may desert him, and he may become weary of body, but his punch will remain. The flaws in his work are his total absence of defence, his laborious breathing, and his tendency to cut and bleed easily over the eyes and on the lips. Dempsey never did have any defence. His offence was his defence. Now he does not charge to the attack as recklessly and relentlessly as he did in his prime.

BOOKS AND READERS.

(Continued from Page 11.)

"Prince of Spies." By G. Davidson. Jenkins. 7s. 6d.

The Man with a Twisted Face came between several of us and our sleep. Here he and Mr. Davidson are at their insomniac work again. It is sufficient to indicate the ambitious scope of this really thrilling "thriller" to mention that the blowing up of the Channel Tunnel is not the greatest of the excitements.

"An Entirely Different Woman." By George Froeschel. Jarrolds. 7s. 6d.

In this book the novelist turns doctor. He suggests that a blood transfusion may "bind the receiver to the giver." Not orthodox, perhaps. But, from the novelist's point of view, lively with innumerable possibilities. The author has made the most of these, though English readers may find him rather surgically horrible.

"The Green Eagle." By E. D. Browne. Hutchinson. 7s. 6d.

Readers in search of a romantic, well-staged, generously-cast historical pageant will find what they are wanting here. In the call of the thirteenth century the author has conspicuously succeeded in all his effects without raising the vocabulary of Wardour-street.

Mr. A. G. Hales writes for those who like their colours bright and their thrills to come from a mental shock-coil. In "Abney Crane's Vengeance" (John Long, 7s. 6d.) he tells his usual exciting tale, this time of the West that is both old and wild.

"The Trail of the Ruby," by Mr. Walter Proudfoot (Hutchinson, 7s. 6d.), has that irresistible thing—a gem of international reputation—for its hero. Mr. Proudfoot is a conscientious and ingenious writer and his novel will delight those who enjoy such hunt-the-slipper escapades.

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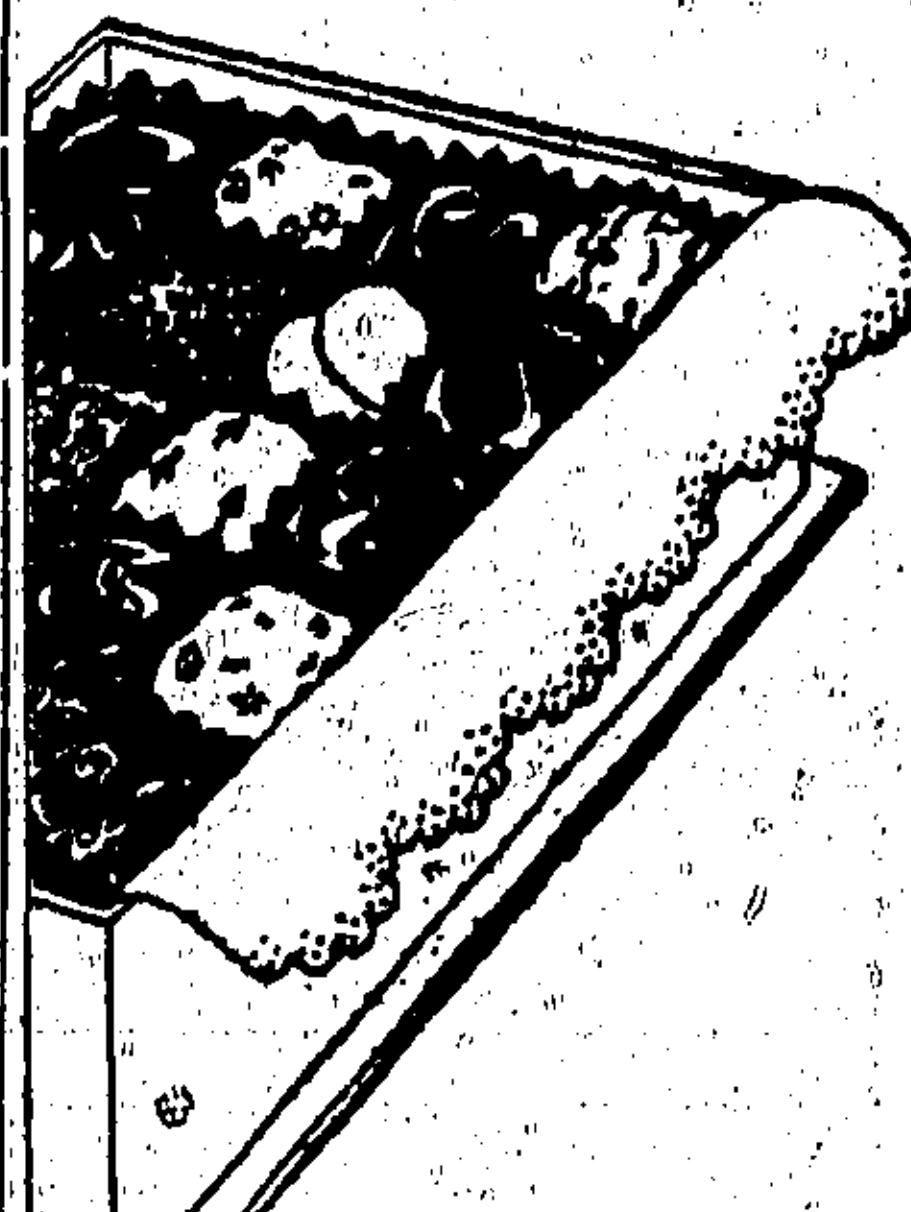
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Adriatic from New York April 11.
Aeneas from United Kingdom due
Ajax from Europe due April 17.
May 30.
Antenor due from Europe April 2.
Atalanta from Japan March 25.
Bangalore from Europe due April 29.

Change from Australia due April 12.
Chitral from Europe due April 20.
Cremor from Amoy and Swatow due March 23.
Dignified from Europe due April 25.
Emp. of Asia from Manila due March 23.
Emp. of Canada from Vancouver due April 1.
Gaelic Star from Europe April 20.
Georges Philippiar from Saigon due March 20.

Hector from Europe due April 26.
Idomeneus from United Kingdom due May 14.
Kashima Maru from Japan and Shanghai due April 1.
Keying from Shanghai and Swatow due March 24.
Lycan from Europe due April 10.
Mentor from United Kingdom due May 7.
Nankin from Japan due March 20.
Nelus from Europe due April 20.

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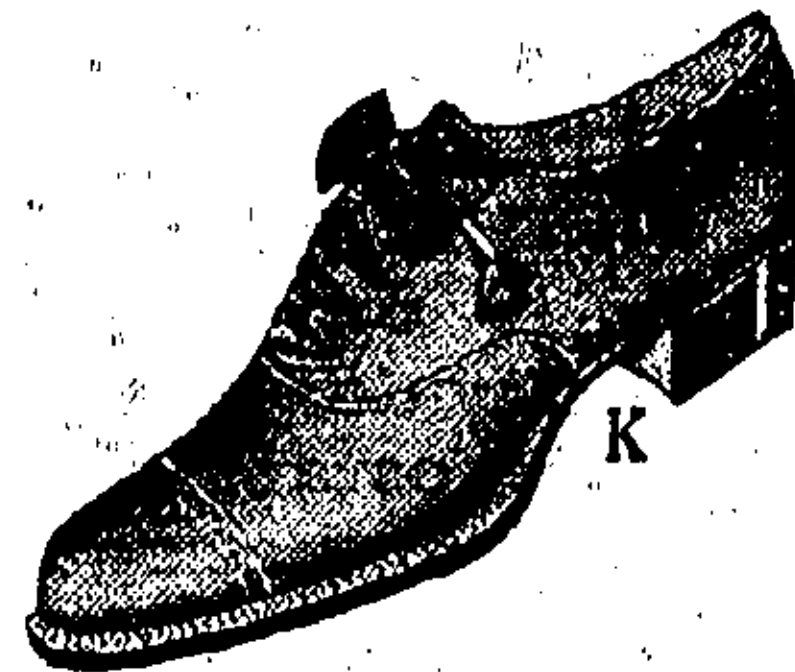
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MUNICIPAL PROGRESS IN CANTON.

II.—BRIDGES; PORT FACILITIES; SEWERS.

THE CHU-KIANG BRIDGE.

Canton roughly may be divided into two sections, namely, Canton proper and Honam, on the southern bank of the upper reaches of the Pearl River. Rapid progress has been recorded in Honam and it is the intention of the Provincial Government to erect the Provincial Government offices there. In connection with this plan it is foreseen that the existing transport facilities between Canton and Honam consisting of motor and sampan ferries will be inadequate, and to meet this situation the Public Works Department signed contracts with Messrs. Anderson, Meyer & Co. and McDonnell and Gorman Company for the erection of a Scherzer rolling bridge at a cost of Shanghai Tls. 1,035,000.

Work on the structure began in November, 1929. A detailed description of what is to be known as the Chu-kiang Bridge, may be warranted, as it is but one of three bridges planned between Canton proper and Honam. The Chu-kiang bridge is to be 600 feet in length, 80 feet wide and 20 feet above the water level of the river. It will consist of two approach spans, each 220 feet long, with a middle movable span consisting of two leaves. The roadway of the structure is to be forty feet in width with footpaths on either side ten feet in width. Opened, the leaves of the bridge have a clearance of 115 feet with complete opening accomplished by means of motors in approximately sixty seconds. Mechanism also is being provided to open the bridge by hand. For the construction of piers and abutments, cofferdams will be necessary and it is proposed to sink the piers by the open caisson method. Piers and abutments will be faced with granite from top to low water level.

INLAND PORT.

The inland port at Chowtaun is being constructed in separate stages. The initial stage is the erection of a bund which is to be of a length of 4,200 feet, to be completed within two years. The building contractor for this work is Wah Yick & Co. The work began last November at a cost of \$530,000. A length of 1,000 feet has so far been built, while piles have been driven to the extent of 1,000 feet. Besides the bund, the reclamation, the building of godowns and the reconstruction of the inland port is to be completed within a reasonably short time. The expenses for the reclamation of land are estimated at \$570,000, the building of four godowns, at \$240,000, the construction of roads with a length of 4,000 feet at \$125,000.

SYSTEM OF SEWERS.

The present ditches in the city have facilitated the breeding of countless mosquitoes. The new sewage system is expected to be completed within three years at a total expense of about \$3,000,000. Work was begun in the western region (Saiwan) last year, and has proved satisfactory. The Bureau of Public Works has specially established a "Sewage Section," particularly for the introduction of the new system. About one-half of the work will be completed by this year and the rest within three years.

According to the census of the Police, there are about 30,000 householders out of 150,000 in the city who own their own houses, a ratio of 19 to 81. Hence a big proportion of the citizens have to rent houses, and in order to meet the demand of the population, residential areas in Chung Kong, Shang Ha, Fun Tau Kong and Lo Kong, of an area of 400 mow, have been designated for the building of houses. More land is the outskirts of the city is expected to be used for residential purposes.

PROMINENT CHINESE WEDDING.

DR. C. C. WU'S DAUGHTER MARRIED.

Almost all the leaders of the local Chinese community were among the guests at the wedding on Monday afternoon of the eldest daughter of Dr. C. C. Wu and Mrs. Wu, and the fourth son of Mr. and Mrs. Ho Kia Hou.

Mr. Hu Han Min, the veteran Chinese statesman, presided over the ceremony, which was a combination of both old and new Chinese rites, while among those present were the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, the Hon. Sir Shou Son Chow, the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, the Hon. Mr. S. W. Tso, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, Admiral Chan Chak, Mr. Fu Ping Sheung and numerous others.

Both Mr. Hu Han Min and Sir Shou Son Chow addressed the gathering after the ceremony, and were followed by Dr. C. C. Wu, who thanked the distinguished guests for their presence there.

After the marriage the guests were entertained to a banquet at the China Restaurant.

PLOT AGAINST THE POPE.

VATICAN ADDRESS TO SUSPECTS.

BOMBS FOUND IN ITALIAN TOWNS.

Vatican City, Feb. 19.—Reports of a plot against the Pope which have been current in the Continental Press, are without foundation, according to the competent authorities.

They are based, however, on remarkable discoveries of Communist activities and bombs in towns among the Alban Hills about fifteen or twenty miles from Rome.

One of these towns is Castelgandolfo, where a summer residence of the Pope is being prepared, and from this fact a connection with the finding of a bomb in St. Peter's was deduced. This however, cannot be supported upon close investigation. The facts are as follows: There fell into the hands of the Italian police a complete list of persons supposed to belong to Communist organization in these towns and some three weeks ago a body of police was sent to clear the matter up. They acted chiefly in Albano, Velletri and Castelgandolfo, arresting over 100 persons whose names were on the list.

In a workman's house in the last mentioned place a number of small bombs were found, which are described to me as incapable of doing much harm. The list contains the names of a number of men of extremely good character. It is consequently believed that these simple peasants fell an easy prey to Communist agitators without realizing what they were doing when they signed the names.

Employed at Pope's Villa.

Nevertheless, nearly 100 are being closely examined in Rome at present, and the batch from Castelgandolfo includes a certain number who worked as labourers in the grounds of the Papal villa. The whole of this action was kept secret, and even now nothing has been divulged.

There is no suggestion or belief in the Vatican City that dangerous Communists are working there and no dismissals have taken place. The Pope received all these men—including those from Castelgandolfo—last Sunday and made a paternal speech. I understand that this policy of trusting the men's common sense and loyalty is regarded as the best one and will be continued.

I was present when these 1,500 men trooped out of the audience hall on Sunday and was particularly impressed by the happy atmosphere which seemed to prevail. No extra Vatican police were on duty.

H.K. ROPE CO.'S AFFAIRS.

DIVIDEND OF 85 CENTS.

The report for presentation to the shareholders of the Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd., at the forty-eighth ordinary general meeting to be held at the offices of the company, St. George's Building, on Wednesday, March 30, at 11.30 a.m. states:—

The Balance at Credit of Profit and Loss Account, for the year ended 31st December, 1931, is \$214,810.36, which, with \$62,910.46 brought forward from the previous year, makes a total of \$277,720.82 available for appropriation.

The Directors recommend the following distribution:—

To pay a Dividend of 85 cents per share, amounting to ... \$170,000.00
To write off Plant and Machinery ... 7,720.82
To carry forward to credit of next year's account 100,000.00
\$277,720.82

Directors:—Under Article 94 (b) Sir Robert Ho Tung and Sir Elly Kadoorie, retire, but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors:—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Linstead and Davis and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, who offer themselves for re-election.

RAUB GOLD MINE.

REPORT FOR FEBRUARY.

The Mine Managers report of the Raub Australian Gold M. Co., Ltd., Singapore, S.S., for the four weeks ending February 29 is as follows:—

The amount of development completed for the period, totals 424 feet, as follows:—
Sinking ... 50 ft.
Driving ... 208 ft.
Crosscutting ... 160 ft.
Total ... 424 ft.

The tonnage mined and treated for the term equals 2886 tons, and the recovery 16 1/2 dwts of fine gold per ton, giving a satisfactory profit.

The development work for the term, is very satisfactory, both in widths and values, increasing our reserves, of payable ore.

Bukit Koman Area.—The tonnage mined and treated from this area, totals 868 tons, and development 91 feet.

Anderson-Lilburne Area.—Tonnage mined and treated from this area, totals 1065 tons, and development 65 feet.

Derrick Area.—The tonnage mined and treated for the term, totals 1023 tons, and development 288 feet.

Construction.—The Steel Head Gear, Bukit Koman Shaft, is erected, and now used for haulage. The whole of the old wooden Head Gear, over which it has been built, is now being dismantled, and complete new Framing for Cages, being built. Six new Transmission Poles erected on Transmission Line have been, erected, 20 H.P. Motor re-wound, and general repairs, and whole plant at Sempain Power Station, overhauled during Chinese New Year stoppage. Castings, and general repairs made throughout the plant.

Cyanide Plant.—Treated 288 tons of low grade, and 108 tons of Roasted High Grade concentrates, for a yield of 17 1/2 dwts of gold bullion, giving a satisfactory profit.

Battery Tonnage.—40 Stamps worked for 29 days.
Bukit Koman Area ... 868 tons
Anderson-Lilburne Area ... 1065
Derrick Area ... 1023
Total ... 2956 tons

Amalgam ... 5017 ozs.
Smelted Gold ... 2207 3/4 ozs.
Battery ... 178 7/8 ozs.
Cyanide Plant ... 2886 0/0 ozs.
Total ... 2886 0/0 ozs.

China Underwriters \$4.
Providents (Old) \$4.00.
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HONG KONG STOCK MARKET.

SMALL SETTLEMENT.

With smaller liquidation than had been expected of Settlement Accounts, and abundance of buying orders, there was a brisk demand at yesterday afternoon's opening session at improving rates.

Sales.

Hong Kong Bank \$1,450/1,460.
Providents (New) \$2.35.
Hotels \$13.05/13 1/2 cum rights.
Hong Kong Land \$75.
Two Cottons Tls. 14.90.
Hong Kong Tram \$21.40/21 1/4.
China Lights (Old) \$21.
Hong Kong Electric \$74.
Cements (Combined) \$18.35/18.15.
Hong Kong Rope \$10.75.
Dairy Farms, \$20.
Constructions (New) \$1.00.

Buyers.

China Underwriters \$4.
Providents (Old) \$4.00.
Providents (New) \$2.50.
Hotels \$13 1/2 cum rights.

Hotels (Rights) \$21.
Hong Kong Land \$75.
Hong Kong Realities \$103.
Chinese Estates \$65.
Two Cottons Tls. 15.10.
Hong Kong Tram \$21.35.
Star Ferries \$67.
China Lights (Old) \$21.
China Lights (New) \$20.
Hong Kong Electric \$74.
Telephones (P.P.) \$23.
Canton Ice \$3.
Cements (Combined) \$18.15.
Cements (Old) \$12.
Cements (New) \$6.
Hong Kong Rope \$10.
Dairy Farms \$20.
Watsons \$18.
Lane, Crawfords (Old) \$5.
Lane, Crawfords (New) \$5.
Amusements \$20.
Constructions (Old) \$2.
Constructions (New) \$1.00.
Government Loans 4 per cent. premium.
Sellers.
South China Motors "B" \$12.
Humphreys \$18.
Malabar Sugars \$22.

THESE ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS.

DANGEROUS OF OPTIMISM ABOUT DEFENCE OF THE COLONY.

MR. CHAMPKIN'S APPEAL TO "THE VOLUNTEER SPIRIT."

Speaking at yesterday's meeting of the Rotary Club, Mr. O. Champkin made a characteristically witty and forceful appeal for volunteers for the new Anti-Aircraft Light Automatic Company of the Hong Kong Volunteers. Some amusing references were made to old times in the Colony when "whiskered warriors" of the sixties laid aside their cross-bows and battle axes, and took up the latest thing in "gentle snappy Snider rifles." An appeal was made to the old volunteer spirit of grumbling at "newfangled ideas," but with many forebodings, adopting them! Mr. Champkin, incidentally gave a plain warning against too easy optimism based on the belief that "nothing ever happens in Hong Kong."

Sir William Hornell, President of the Club, was in the chair.

"PROVIDENCE HELPS THOSE WHO HELP THEMSELVES."

Mr. Champkin said:—

It was with some difficulty that I persuaded my friend, Mr. Macpherson, to prevail upon me to accept your kind invitation to-day. You have been very patient with me here on other occasions when I have spoken on subjects of which I know nothing, but I confess I feared the danger of putting your forbearance to a breaking strain on the subject of these anti-aircraft guns.

It is only fair to Mr. Macpherson for me to say that he endorsed my apprehension with a whole-heartedness that seemed to me perhaps a little ready, having regard to our long and friendly association in imposing on the suffering public of this Colony.

Anti-Aircraft Guns: "An Absorbing Passion."

Anti-aircraft guns happen to be an absorbing passion of mine, but I don't expect you to be anything but mildly interested in them, any more than you would expect me to be particularly interested in golf, or the assassination of snipe, or the Nude Culturists. (Laughter.) We all have our hobbies and I didn't come here to talk about mine. I am here principally because I find it pleasant to be in the goodly company of so many old Volunteers, and I am more glad than I might be, after tasting this coffee, to know that most of you don't think anti-aircraft guns are worth a damn! (Laughter.) I should be much discouraged if you thought otherwise! When old volunteers develop the habit of taking a cheerful view of volunteering, they ought to retire. We can always find them a congenial job in the Boy Scouts.

The Colony expects, and has every right to demand a decorous and decent dependancy from its Defence Corps—(laughter)—for there has never been a time in its history when the Colony's best volunteers were not the world's worst pessimists.

It was so in our time, and it has always been so, I daresay most of you can go back twenty-five years, when the riflemen watched with dull amazement the first aeroplane that disturbed the pleasing amenities of his Easter Manoeuvres. He knew then that volunteering was finished. He knew the aeroplane had beaten him and that the end had come.

Whiskered Warriors.

Forty years before his time the whiskered warriors whose portraits are preserved in our Officers Mess, wagged their beards with the same dismal foreboding. They laid aside their crossbows and battleaxes—(laughter)—or whatever armaments they used in the sixties, and they took up the latest thing in gent's snappy Snider rifles and they also knew the end had come. They also knew that modern armament had put a sock in the old spirit and that volunteering would never be the same again.

So it has been throughout three quarters of a century of volunteering history. We have all been gloomy prophets, but like old Ezekiel, we have seen the dry bones stirring, and we are not without hope that the spirit of the sixties that never failed us yet will still serve the hour and need long after we are gone. (Applause.)

We know that if the Colony's volunteers to-day are small in numbers they have never been more

keen, and that they are immeasurably more efficient than at any time before.

Urgent Need.

We know that these old warriors in picturesque poses, throwing the weight of their bodies on their chinstraps—(laughter)—were splendid fellows. (Applause.) They handed down something more lasting than a peculiar fashion in side-whiskers. They started a great movement. They passed on a great tradition. They gave to those who came after them a spirit that, if it has wearied at times, has gathered strength again and gone from strength to strength when real and urgent need has called on this Colony for volunteers.

The Anti-Aircraft Light Automatic Company anticipates a real and urgent need—the need to guard against a menace that twenty-five years ago would have seemed as fantastic as it seemed forty years before then, when Tennyson fore- visioned the nation's aerial navies grappling in the central blue.

"Nothing Happens Here."

We know how real that menace is to-day—not to us, of course, but to others. Nothing is likely to happen to us here. Nothing ever does happen in Hong Kong! We have so many Societies for the Prevention of Things Happening that we sleep soundly in our beds. We know that the Nude Culturists can only come when the lights are out—(laughter)—and that an air raid can never come at all.

We are so fortunate in our immunities as we are blest above all peoples in our egregious optimism. We want to be realistic, but we don't want to face realities. That's the whole volunteering problem in a nutshell.

Let us take it out of a nutshell and put it in a bombshell. Let us, when we feel disposed to thank whatever gods there be that Hong Kong is different somehow, consider as clearly and as cogently as we can what would happen if Hong Kong was raided from the air. Let us consider that the weapon of the first warplane was an automatic pistol and that to-day a bomber takes off with about two tons of stuff that with great good luck could blow Ice House Street to blazes—(laughter)—are still, I hope, have enough left over to kill the criminal that made this coffee! (Laughter.)

Defend Ourselves.

We have to defend ourselves or to rely on Providence for our defence. We pray for peace in our time, but what good claim have we on Providence for protection against the desolating heathenry of high explosives? Enemy airmen also are godly folk, with an equal claim on Providence and with the inestimable advantage of being ten thousand feet nearer heaven than Bishops Lodge. Surely a gleam of simple intelligence should indicate that it were better we should leave to Providence the holding of the scales, and in the meanwhile man the guns that our ungodly authorities tell us that we need.

If we admit the necessity for defence we must at least admit the possibility of attack. Not only have we to defend this Colony, but we have to protect a peaceful and industrious people whose co-operation in our plans we do not invite, but whose confidence in our power of protection we have every right to expect and every duty to encourage.

We can't afford to take any risks. All that we have is at stake in the Colony—or owned by the Hong Kong Bank. (Laughter.) All our overdrafts are here, and some of our wives! The people who make our coffee don't matter, but the Armenians and the Land Investment Company expect us to defend our hearths and homes—(laughter)—otherwise they will raise our rents. We must do something.

Old Days—and Now.

The old China Fleet and the old Regular Forces—stiffened by the old whiskered warriors—were a safe standby in the old days, but times have changed. We have to fight new forces from the air and I am here to tell you that we want volunteers to man the guns.

In the Anti-Aircraft Light Company we work on rather novel, though not entirely original lines. Those of you who have read Nicholas Nickleby will remember that Mr. Squeers had an educational method peculiarly his own. Quoting from the book—"We go upon the practical mode of teaching," Nickleby; the regular education system, C-I-S-A-N, Clean, verb active, to make bright. W-I-N, win, d-e-r, dpr, Winder, a casement. When a boy knows this Nickleby he goes and cleans the winders." (Laughter.)

We Defend Our Own Interests.

Well, it seemed to me better than most education systems I have studied and I understand it has proved highly successful in the Girl Guides. (Laughter.) We have therefore adopted it to a modified extent in the Anti-Aircraft Company. Our scheme is to allocate men as far as possible to the defence of their own particular interests. The Taikoo Dock men defend their Dock Works. The Hong Kong Electric men defend their Electric Works. The Water men defend their Waterworks. Conforming to the same idea, gentlemen, what about the Gasworks? (Loud laughter.) I am seriously disturbed about the gasworks! Can I hope to-day to get forty-nine men to join me in the defence of my particular interest? It's for you to decide.

The need is for men now. We don't want to be reminded by letters in the newspapers that there are hundreds of men in the Colony that will roll up when the war starts, provided it doesn't start before they roll up. The habit of rolling-up, of which I am a warm and enthusiastic supporter, has much to commend it, but it would be more commendable if air raids were subjects to a month's notice. It gives us a comfortable sense of security to know the rollers-up are there—wherever they are, but we should be happier to know that they were keeping their hands in.

To Fight a Gun!

You can't fight a gun as my friend Bowes-Smith plays the piano—by sheer force of character! (Laughter.) You have to know a little about it beforehand. It's like exchange broking—(loud laughter)—it takes at least ten hours to learn thoroughly and ten hours training a year is all that we ask you to do in this Anti-Aircraft Company. There are no compulsory parades, no range practices, no Camp exercises. Instruction is literally carried to your door in six different centres in Hong Kong and Kowloon or six different days of the week. We don't even trust you with a uniform until the expense is justified by war. All that we ask you to do is to fill in the form enclosed in the brochure before you and to accept with cheerfulness the very light obligations that it calls for.

The engaging duty of convincing everybody who is not already a volunteer of the truth of our need has been entrusted to me, partly, no doubt, because I am an old volunteer and know nothing of those things, but principally, I think, because the truth is never readily convincing unless told by an experienced liar! (Laughter.)

Mr. Chairman, you have been good enough to give me an opportunity of telling the truth to this representative assembly of business and professional men of Hong Kong. The need exists. What more is there to say to all good citizens—to all who hold in proper honour the public spirit and patriotism of those who, in the early days of this Colony laid the foundations of its greatness and counted as the first of their obligations and the proud front of their privileges a place in the front of its defences? (Applause.)

Probably at some time or other Mr. Chairman, you have tried to arouse public interest in some sinister scheme of your own. You (Continued at foot of next column.)

INDIAN ON SERIOUS CHARGE.

ALLEGED ASSAULT ON WOMAN.

WONG NEI CHEONG INCIDENT.

An Indian guard, named Anayat Hussain Shah, faced serious charges in respect of an alleged assault upon a married woman named Ng Yung, when he was brought before Mr. W. Schofield at Central Magistrate yesterday. Mr. Hin Shing Lo, for the defence, entered a plea of not guilty. The case for the Crown was in the hands of Mr. R. E. Lindsell, Assistant Attorney-General.

Giving the facts of the case, Mr. Lindsell said that on the morning of March 3, the complainant met another woman in Wanchai Market where they had gone in the hope of finding work. The women were of the coolie class and as a rule went to the market-place where contractors usually engaged them to carry earth. On this particular day, the women were not actually engaged but they had heard that there was some work to be done at Tytan so they went to that place, in company with some other women. The party went up Wanchai Gap through Black's Links and into Wong Nei Cheong Gap but after they had gone some distance, the two women lost sight of the other members of the party who were walking some distance in front. As they were not very sure of their way the two women turned back with the intention of returning to Wanchai.

Half-mile Chase.

After they had gone about a mile, however, they met the defendant who smiled at the two women and tried to catch hold of the older one of the two. She got away and when he turned his attention on the complainant, the two women took fright and ran back towards Wong Nei Cheong Gap. The defendant chased them for about half a mile when he got up to the older woman. He pushed her over the bank into a jungle and then caught hold of the younger woman and dragged her into the hillside by an old magazine. It was in a secluded spot in this vicinity that the offence was alleged to have been committed.

The woman returned to Wanchai in great distress and when she got home she found that her companion was already there. She told this woman and the principal tenant on the floor what had happened and they decided to wait till the complainant's husband returned from work before going to the police. As the husband stayed away overnight, the police were not communicated with until the following morning.

Mr. Lindsell concluded by saying that the defendant was one of the special guards who was placed at the Wanchai Gap Station and evidence would be given to the effect that in the course of his duties normally, the man would pass the place where the offence was committed about the same time every day—that is to say it was quite proper that he should have been where he was when the offence was alleged to have been committed. At an identification parade, seven guards were put together and all wore uniforms but the two women had no difficulty in picking out the defendant.

Dr. G. H. Thomas gave medical evidence, after which hearing was adjourned.

look as if you have—(laughter)—and I know that you appreciate my difficulties in raising this Company. I know that you will understand how grateful I am to the Rotary Club for the help you are giving me to-day. (Applause.)

The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton said that as Commander of the Flying Club he felt in rather a delicate position. He supposed that, at manoeuvres they would be bait for Mr. Champkin's anti-aircraft machine guns! (Laughter.) He hoped that Mr. Champkin would be more successful than he had been in hatching out this new venture, and he wished him every success.

Flying Officer Moss said that everyone must agree with the principle of "conduct your own defence." Mr. Champkin only asked for ten hours of the time of his recruits and he hoped that this ten hours would be given at once, and not when it was too late.

G.O.C. INSPECTS VOLUNTEERS.

ANOTHER APPEAL FOR MORE RECRUITS.

A THOROUGHLY EFFICIENT UNIT.

The annual inspection of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps was carried out by His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, Major-General J. W. Sandilands, O.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., on Murray Parade Ground yesterday afternoon. His Excellency, in addressing the members of the Corps after the March Past, referred to his coming departure from the Colony on relinquishing the China Command, and spoke of his disappointment at the strength of the H.K.V.D.C. "There are still a number of young men in the Colony," said His Excellency, "who could not produce any reason, which would satisfy me, for not having joined up long ago."

His Excellency the G.O.C., accompanied by Colonel Cousens, D.S.O., Major Atkinson, Captain Mirehouse and Captain Cameron (A.D.C.), was met at the entrance to the parade ground by Lieut. Colonel L. G. Bird, Commandant of the H.K.V.D.C., and proceeded to inspect the various units of the Corps.

Then followed the March Past, in which all the companies, including the two armoured cars and the various motorised units, participated, the Corps band playing alternately with the pipe band of the Scottish Company.

The G.O.C.'s Speech.

After the Corps having had reformed their original ranks, His Excellency the G.O.C. addressed them in the following speech:—

Colonel Bird and the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps: It is a great pleasure to me to be once more able to carry out your annual inspection, more especially as, in my considered opinion, the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps has definitely improved since last year.

I am thoroughly satisfied with what I saw of your unit in camp. On the occasion of my visit to Fanning, I witnessed an ambitious Field Firing Scheme, carried out on the lines which are seldom attempted even by regulars, since it is comparatively rare to find tracts of country, where it is possible to fire machine guns at a range of 2,000 yards and to carry out movements combined with covering fire from light automatics and rifles on a front of about a mile. I have no hesitation in stating that there is no Volunteer Unit in the United Kingdom which has ever even attempted a field firing scheme in this scale.

The one thing which still disappoints me is the strength of the Hong Kong Volunteers. In this respect you have heard my views quite often enough before, so I will not bore you by repeating them, beyond stating that there are still a number of young men in the Colony who could not produce any reason, which would satisfy me, for not having joined up long ago.

The New A.A. Companies.

I would like to congratulate Lieut. Champkin and Major Manners for the praiseworthy efforts they are making to get recruits for the Anti-Aircraft and R.A.S.C. Companies, and I have every belief that their efforts will not be in vain.

As far as one can foresee, this is likely to be the last time upon which I will carry out the official inspection of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, as my time is up at the end of this year. However, you need have no fear that I will forget you when I leave Hong Kong.

Regiments, pass through China at an incredible speed, and it may be a surprise to some of you to hear that 18 regular battalions have served under me in the China Command during the last three years. In consequence it is only natural that I may find a difficulty, in a few years time, in not confusing one with another to a certain extent.

But this is not the case with the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps. I shall always have a very clear recollection of them at my various annual inspections and visits to camp. I shall also remember the many occasions upon which I have received hospitality from the officers and men of the various companies. Although I hope to meet you all on many other occasions before I hand over the China Command, yet I will take this opportunity of expressing my official thanks for the way in which the officers and men on parade to-day have supported me, and I would like to think that when the time comes for me to leave Hong Kong, you will miss me not only as a Commander, but as a friend.

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Hong Kong, 22nd March, 1932. [207]

NOTICE.

MISS VIOLET CAPELL will resume her Dancing Classes as from the 4th APRIL. For particulars kindly apply No. 8, Torres Building, Kowloon, or Phone 7117. [303]

HONG KONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

A GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS will be held on TUESDAY, the 28th March, 1932, at 5 p.m. in the Office of the Chamber of Commerce, Chartered Bank Building, to nominate a Member of the Chamber for appointment to the Legislative Council during the absence from the Colony of the Hon. Mr. C. Gordon Mackie.

Notice in writing of the Names of Candidates and their Proposers and Secondaries to be lodged with the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce at least 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the Meeting.

By Order,

M. F. KEY,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 21st Mar., 1932. [189]

THE HONG KONG WAR MEMORIAL NURSING HOME.

THE Public is advised that the Nursing Home is now open for the admission of patients.

Accommodation is provided for fifty-five persons, including twenty-six first-class and maternity wards. The Nursing Home is furnished and equipped throughout on the most modern lines.

Private bathrooms are attached to each first-class ward.

Rates—1st Class \$11.00 per day; 2nd Class \$6.00 per day; ordinary medicines and small dressings included.

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HONG KONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders of the Hong Kong Engineering & Construction Company, Limited, will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Shaw, Tamm & Co., 33, George Street, Chater Road, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, the 6th April, 1932, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended on the 31st December, 1931, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 24th March to the 6th April, 1932, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

B. ALVES,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th March, 1932. [1973]

HONG KONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Hong Kong Club will be held in the Club House on THURSDAY, the 31st MARCH, 1932, at 5.30 p.m.

By Order,

T. A. ROBERTSON,

Lieut. Col.

Hong Kong, 18th March, 1932. [1979]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS OF CHARLES AUGUSTUS PENNINGTON, LATE OF HINGHAM HALL, NORWICH, NORFOLK, FORMERLY OF 31 PRINCE STREET, HONG KONG, MIDDLESEX, ENGLAND, DECEASED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 18 of Probate Ordinance 1897, made an Order limiting the Time for Creditors and Others to send in their Claims against the above Estate to the 14th APRIL, 1932.

All Creditors and Others are accordingly hereby required to send their Claims to the Underigned on or before that date.

Dated the 16th day of March, 1932.

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER, Solicitors for the Administrator, Prince's Building, 100, Queen's Street, Hong Kong. [1975]



So comes a reckoning when the Banquet's o'er, the dreadful reckoning, and men smile no more—

SO SPOKE JOHN GAY IN "THE WHAT D'YE CALL IT"

Die Recknung, as the Germans call it, is not a pain below the belt but one in the pocket—in other words the BILL. But surely John Gay, whose play The Beggar's Opera shows us that he knew men's feelings and something of women's—has missed the point? If men enjoy what they get they don't mind what they pay for it. The moral, anyhow, is don't eat without sauce—for preference Macaoche's.

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ANNOUNCEMENT.

The engagement is announced between Lieut. A. H. MUSSON, Royal Artillery, and Joan Wright Taylor, only daughter of Mrs. J. H. Thom, wife of Lieut. Col. J. H. Thom, D.S.O., Royal Artillery. [178]

BIRTHS.

KLYNN—On March 13, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. L. KLYNN, a daughter.

MOALEN—On March 16, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. S. J. MOALEN, the gift of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

WERN-HUTCHINSON—On March 16, at Shanghai, Doris, daughter of the late Mr. Joseph Hutchinson and Mrs. Hutchinson of Stoneroff, Liverpool, to Joseph Victor Wern, of the British Cigarette Co., Ltd., Shanghai.

DEATH.

KILLEEN—On March 16, at Shanghai, CHARLES DE BLAIR KILLEEN, aged 30 years.

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The Daily Press.

Hong Kong, March 23, 1932.

AERIAL DEFENCE: A BEGINNING.

MR. CHAMPKIN, in his address to the Rotary Club, made some apt and shrewd remarks, not only on behalf of the Anti-Aircraft Light Automatic Company of the Volunteers, but, by implication, on the whole question of the defence of the Colony. Mr. CHAMPKIN suggested that a somewhat facile optimism is based on the belief that "nothing ever happens here." We have always been safe and secure. It is our birthright, and whatever may happen to the rest of the world life in Hong Kong will go on as usual. We are liable to forget, as the speaker insisted, that our peaceful and uneventful history has been possible because we have been very well able to take care of ourselves, and have made the necessary sacrifices to obtain that end. Internal order has been maintained by a strong police force backed by a big garrison; we have been spared the blessings of elective government with its attendant factions, disorders and corruption; there has always been a fleet and land forces adequate to secure us from foreign menace. Only once has the comfort of the Colony been shaken, namely by the General Strike of 1925, and it is not unusual to hear that

"Hong Kong has never been the same place since." It is fashionable in these days to decry armaments, but that is another question. Hong Kong has little cause to belittle the part played by the British Fleet, and the British Army in her history. Recent events hardly suggest the end of militarism and the world-wide rule of law and reason. In the old days, as Mr. CHAMPKIN put it, the China Fleet and our garrison, helped out by the "bewhiskered warriors" of the Volunteers, were sufficient to protect us. Now a new form of warfare has arisen and it is fully time that we took cognizance. Hong Kong has, in fact, to start, to develop its defences against a possible attack from the air. Just as the muzzle-loaders on Battery Path were replaced by the long-range artillery on Mount Davies and Stonecutters Island, we have to build up an organisation for meeting the new menace.

It may be said that a few automatic guns are not much use against modern battle planes. That is a technical matter, but the founding of this new section of the Volunteer Corps is a beginning. The tradition of associating the citizens of Hong Kong with the defence of the Colony is maintained. Most Volunteer work has to begin on a modern basis and to justify itself by efficiency and keenness. Only in this way have artillery, machine guns and armoured cars been obtained. The A.A. Light Automatic Company of to-day may be the forerunner of a battery of the latest and deadliest high-elevation guns, controlled by instruments yet to be designed by the Hiram Maxims and the Percy Scotts of the future.

Under one of the Treaties by which Great Britain sought to lead the world away from the armaments madness, the re-fortifying of Hong Kong was abandoned. The time limit for this concession is ending, and the conditions under which it was granted are being conveniently forgotten by those who perhaps thought they had outwitted Great Britain. But responsible authorities at Home, such as the Imperial Defence Committee, the War Office and the Admiralty, are fully alive to the immediate and the future needs of Hong Kong. They will require, however, that, as in the past, the local population will actively associate itself with the necessary measures for securing an impressive and adequate scheme of defence.

TRAFFIC OFFENDERS FINED.

MOTOR CYCLIST AND A DINNER.

Mr. H. H. Muller, of Siemens China Ltd., was fined \$7 at the Central Magistracy yesterday morning by Mr. Schofield for riding his motor cycle in Wyndham Street, a prohibited area, an offence to which the defendant pleaded guilty.

In the same Court a Chinese driver was fined \$7 for driving a lorry belonging to the Gas Co. with an excessive number of passengers on board. There were 28 people on the lorry in addition to several gas stoves, although Traffic Sergeant Clark told the Magistrate that at the time the lorry was safe.

★ News and Views ★

Tale of the Day.

"How did you get on at school to-day?"
"Fine, daddy. The teacher said that if the other boys were like me they might as well close the school."

Women's Bigger Feet.

Dr. J. T. Irving, of the Department of Physiology, University of Bristol, in a letter in the "Lancet," states:

"In a demonstration of genuine-period clothes dating from 1780, recently arranged in Bristol, it was found that none of the ladies taking part could put on the shoes corresponding to the earlier costumes, as they were much too small."

"Is the fact that women's feet were so much smaller 100 years ago well recognised? If it is, so, I suppose exercise and a healthier life have been responsible for the change."

Children Go to Bed Too Late.

Lateness of going to bed is one of the contributory causes of rheumatism among schoolchildren, in the opinion of Dr. Gerald Slet, Physician-in-Charge of the L.C.C. Rheumatism Supervisory Centre.

In his report to the L.C.C., Dr. Slet says:

"In the crowded homes of the poor children of London I think that rest is almost impossible."

"In an analysis of 459 cases we found that the number of children sleeping alone was only 44. In by far the larger number of cases the room was shared with two, three, four and sometimes even more, others."

"I find, too, that children go to bed too late, and are disturbed by other members of the household and by wireless and gramophones."

The Motorist's Wife.

Because he took his wife, a suitcase and two cardboard boxes in a car which had a limited trade licence, Frederick Storey, of Wolverton Lodge, West Meon, was at Chertsey fined \$5 for carrying on unauthorised person and an additional \$3 for carrying goods.

★ Local Notes and Events ★

The Hong Kong dollar dropped a farthing yesterday, the demand rate being 1s. 3½d.

The annual meeting of the Y.M.C.A. will be held in the Y.M.C.A. Kowloon, on Wednesday, March 30, at 5.30 p.m., to receive the annual report and accounts and to elect three directors.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending March 5, amounted to 95,488 metric tons, and the sales during the period to 83,332 metric tons.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Luiz Eduardo de Souza, 75a, British Concession, Shamone, Canton, to Miss Leonor Maria Xavier, 26, Granville Road, Kowloon.

One case of small-pox was reported on Monday. During last week there were 6 cases (6 deaths) of small-pox, 2 cases (1 death) of diphtheria, 6 cases (1 death) of enteric fever, 2 cases (1 death) of cerebro-spinal fever, and 26 deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis.

The name of Mr. T. M. Mitchell is included in the November examination pass list of the Institution of Electrical Engineers. Mr. Mitchell was formerly with the China Light & Power Co. but is now employed with the Texas Oil Co.

According to a police report, a seaman on board a lighter belonging to the Kowloon Godowns sustained a fractured skull when he fell. He was removed to the Kowloon Hospital but his condition was so serious that he was not expected to live.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Xavier have suffered a great loss by the death of their daughter, Stella, who succumbed after a short illness on Monday. Miss Xavier was only 18 years of age and her charming personality won for her a large host of friends. The funeral took place at Happy Valley the same evening when the Rev. F. Gallagher officiated.

Sax. Wedding Ring.

A twenty-two carat gold wedding ring, weighing three ounces: Five thousand gold pen nibs.

These were among the articles offered to a London firm in the great rush to sell sovereigns and articles of gold jewellery.

"The normal weight of a wedding ring is a quarter to half an ounce," said a representative of the firm. "The one offered us is by far the largest we have ever seen. It was sent by post, and, judging by the appearance, has been worn for years. We valued it at £15."

"The 3,000 pen nibs were among a lot of old jewellery bought from one man."

"When the articles purchased by the firm in one day this week were melted down they made two bars of gold, one weighing 2,000oz. and the other 1,800oz."

Mr. Baldwin on Happiness.

Mr. Baldwin adopted the mantle of philosophy when he spoke on "Happiness and Success."

He was delivering the inaugural Sir Alfred Frigg Memorial Lecture at University College, Gower-street.

Here are some of Mr. Baldwin's definitions of happiness:

"A happy countenance in a City street is the exception rather than the rule, but it would be very misleading to compile statistics on this basis. The passer-by may be looking anxious because of the perils of the traffic, or, at this stage in our nation's history, because he is hastening to pay his income-tax."

"The Bible began with a blissful pair in Paradise who quickly lost their happiness, and it would seem that it had not been recovered completely in any subsequent partnership. Indeed, modern Christendom might be said to be divided between those who held that Adam and Eve were perfectly happy and lost their happiness and those who held that they never had it to lose."

Mr. Novello's View of U.S. Film Stars.

Mr. Ivor Novello, the actor, severely criticised the standard of acting of film stars when he landed at Southampton from New York. He has been nine months in Hollywood writing scenarios for films.

"I think the general standard of film acting is pretty low, particularly with the feminine stars," he said.

"If the majority of them were called upon to face an audience they would not have the technique, voice or general equipment to penetrate beyond the second row of the stalls. Some of the greatest film 'sweethearts' would not get a job in a third rate touring company if they had to rely on impressing the audience to keep their position."

"They remain stars for the reason that film producing gives them the chance to correct their defects, each scene usually being taken several times."

Yugoslavs Barter Food for Labour.

While in the vast plains of northern Yugoslavia bumper crops of wheat and corn remain unsold, in the mountains of the southwest—Montenegro and parts of Barren Bosnia and Herzegovina—famine threatens.

The Yugoslav Government is now purchasing surplus foodstuffs from the fertile parts of the country and distributing them among hungry folks of the limestone mountain region. In return for the food distributed the people give labour, which is employed in building new aqueducts, roads and railways.

Axing a Button.

An Admiralty Fleet Order issued directs that in future dress jackets, Class I. and Class III., are to have only three buttons instead of four on each side, the button under the lapel being omitted.

Jackets of the present pattern may be used until they are worn out.

The Order apparently applies to all ratings wearing jackets and peaked caps, as contrasted with those in jumpers.

Elks in Hollywood.

When a recent call was sent out by a Hollywood film studio for janikishas, more than 50 were produced inside of two hours!

Poor Law Artist.

A scene-painter who is one of the inmates of the Poor Law institution at Edmonton, N., is repainting the scenery used there for amateur theatricals, and is allowed a special official allowance of 2s. 6d. a week.

It has been suggested that he might brighten some of the rooms with mural paintings, and if these proved successful he would probably be asked to decorate other poor law institutions in Middlesex.

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The Joking Swabians.

The Swabians have always been renowned for their drollery, to which the name "Schwabenstreich" (Swabians' fooleries) is given. This winter, a group of Swabians on a motor trip came to a bridge over the Danube at Leipheim, near Ulm, and found it closed—by order to motor traffic.

The bridge, it seemed to them, was strong enough to bear them and their Hanomag car, which was not excessively heavy. Other passengers apparently shared their view of the situation, and so it came to pass that 12 stout Swabians hoisted the car on to their shoulders and triumphantly carried it across the bridge without technically violating the injunction.

Skyscrapers for Paris?

Are skyscrapers to be allowed in Paris? This much-discussed question has come up again. It appears that the Paris Municipal Council wishes what used to be known as the "Porte" Maillot to be one of the main entrances to the city, and with this end in view has approached M. Rosenthal, the owner of some property situated there, and asked him whether he would part with a portion of his land and allow a skyscraper to be built thereon. Until now, the Municipal Council has consistently vetoed any suggestion to build such a thing as a skyscraper. It has fixed the maximum height that a building may attain at approximately 90 feet. Parisians are asking whether this regulation is to be changed, and skyscrapers are to be allowed.

South Africa Plans Academy of Arts.

Decision to form a national academy of arts was taken at a conference held in the National Art Gallery at Cape Town. Representatives of all the societies of artists and schools of art were present.

A draft constitution was adopted, to be submitted to Parliament. Ten academicians and associates have been chosen, and their names will be sent for approval to the Governor-General.

Picture Post Cards to Help Roumanians.

One of the steps taken by the Roumanian Government to increase the state income is the introduction of a picture postcard monopoly. The profits from this business will be forwarded into a "cultural fund" to be used for popular education. This is the eighth line of commerce and industry which the Roumanian state has monopolized, not counting the railways, post office and telegraph service. Some of these monopolies have been farmed out to foreigners against loans.

from the files.

Looking Back 25 Years.

H. E. the Governor has been pleased to appoint Major A. Chapman of the H.K.V.C. to be commandant in succession to Major O. G. Pritchard, retired, with effect from April 7. He has also been pleased to appoint Mr. S. B. C. Rowe to act as Postmaster General during the absence on leave of Mr. L. A. M. Johnson, or until further notice.

The Bedford, cruiser, having had her port main engine bearings adjusted, after steam trials in the North Sea, has left for the China station to take the place of the Diadem, cruiser, Captain C. H. Umfreville. The Bedford is commanded by Captain S. E. Erskine. —Hong Kong Daily Press. March 23, 1907.

Looking Back 50 Years.

The gunboat Foxhound, Lieut. Commander McQuhane, arrived here yesterday morning from Swatow.

We hear that Mr. Deane goes home shortly by the next mail, and that Mr. Tonnochy also goes home on leave soon.

Mr. Ho Kai, Barrister-at-Law, was yesterday, on the motion of the Attorney-General, admitted to practice at the Bar of the Supreme Court of Hong Kong.

During the week ending March 19, there were 360 European and 2,840 Chinese visitors to the City Hall museum. —Hong Kong Daily Press. March 23, 1932.

UNFORTUNATE INCIDENT NEAR KIANGWAN

JAPANESE OFFICER WOUNDED BY
SNIPER

WHILE LYTTON COMMISSION INSPECT
"WAR" ZONE

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Mar. 22. It is learned to-day that activities on the part of snipers caused a last-minute change in the tour made by the members of the Lytton Commission of the war zone yesterday, but in spite of this precaution a Japanese officer was hit by a sniper at Kiangwan, not far from the spot where the party was sightseeing. The officer was wounded in the leg.

Soldiers conducted a search and located three snipers, one of whom they shot dead, but the others escaped. The snipers are believed to be plain-clothes soldiers and the Japanese allege that many of them are active.

CURFEW QUESTION
(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, Mar. 22. A Municipal Council meeting is being held on Wednesday to discuss the question of either terminating, or modifying, the curfew in order to enable mills to resume night shifts, though many believe the curfew will continue for some time yet, owing to the widespread fear that there will be trouble by the thousands of refugees causing food riots, night disorders, etc.

Following many objections against street barricades constituting impediments to traffic, the Military Authorities are permitting their removal where feasible, in order to facilitate trade and assist in the

normal intercourse between different sections of the International Settlement, but the main defences are still in position and so will continue for some time.

The greater part of the barbed wire entanglements have been removed from Soochow Creek as they prevented cargo from being landed from vessels.

The Council and Military Authorities are co-operating in order to restore Shanghai to a state normality at the earliest possible date.

**GUERRILLA WAR IN
MANCHURIA**
RAILWAY LINE CUT NEAR
CHANGCHUN

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, Mar. 22. According to brief reports received by wireless from Japanese military stations, Japanese infantrymen and Chinese irregulars fought a pitched battle at Nanchun, fifty miles to the north-east of Tunhuu yesterday.

Thirteen Japanese soldiers were killed and fifty wounded. The Chinese lost over 100 killed in the grim struggle. The clash synchronised with an outbreak of activities by irregular forces over an extremely wide area, their enterprises including an attack on Tatar Station, to the south of Changchun. The railway track was destroyed at this point.

A TURF LIBEL ACTION

JOCKEY CLUB WINS
APPEAL

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Mar. 22. The Jockey Club won its appeal against the award of heavy damages to Mr. Charles Chapman.

[A message dated Dec. 1, 1931, states: "A turf libel action which attracted considerable attention because the Earl of Harewood, husband of Princess Mary, was one of the defendants, terminated in the High Court to-day, with the award of heavy damages to the plaintiff."

It was a case in which Mr. Charles Chapman, the well-known horse trainer of Lavant, sued the Earl of Ellesmere, the Earl of Harewood and the Earl Rosebery, as stewards of the Jockey Club, Messrs. Weatherby and Sons, as publishers of the Racing Calendar, and The Times for libel in connection with a warning-off notice.

The defendants were ordered to pay damages totalling £18,000, this amount being awarded by the High Court jury against all defendants. The Times is required to pay £3,000 and the remaining defendants £15,000.

Mr. Chapman complained that he had been ruined through the publication of a statement by the Stewards of the Jockey Club that they had satisfied themselves that a drug had been administered to a horse, Don Pat, winner of a race at Kempton Park, that they had disqualified the horse, and had warned Chapman, its trainer off Newmarket-Bentham, and consequently off all racescourses under Jockey Club rules.

The Stewards admitted during the hearing that there was no suggestion that Mr. Chapman was a party to the doping, but contended that as trainer of race-horses, he was absolutely responsible for his servants' acts.

The Judge told the jury that as there seemed to be only one question to answer and that was: "Do the words complained of mean that Chapman himself doped Don Pat?" The jury returned their verdict as indicated. A stay of execution, pending appeal, was granted on conditions.]

ine wholeheartedly against another war. Up to the present no intimation has been given that the tournament has been cancelled.

M. POINCARÉ INDISPOSED

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Paris, March 22. M. Poincaré is ill at Sampigny. It was rumoured that he died this morning, but enquiry showed there was no change in his condition.

OBITUARY

DR. R. M. BRONTE
AN EMINENT PATHOLOGIST

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Mar. 22. The death of the eminent pathologist, Dr. R. M. Bronte, reduces the small and select group of expert medical witnesses whose evidence at many notable murder trials has been a vital factor. His testimony, like that of Sir Bernard Spilsbury and Sir William Wilcock, brought a new element of logical science into the sifting of cases which would otherwise possibly have been incapable of explanation.

**JAVA AND SUMATRA
TEA**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 22. In the House of Commons Mr. Runciman said that 150,000 packages of Java and Sumatra tea were offered in auction at 1/11 up to March 19, compared with 148,000 for the corresponding period in 1931.

**ARMY TOURNEY FOR
CHURCH FUNDS.**
OBJECTION TO D.S.O. RECTOR'S
PLAN.

A rector's arrangement for a military tournament to assist in raising funds for a new local church is causing trouble in West Wickham, Kent.

The rector, Lieut.-Col. the Rev. Charles Alexander Shaw Page, D.S.O., M.C., was reproached at the annual parochial meeting at the parish church for taking preliminary steps for holding the tournament.

Mr. Brook, a member of the church council, asked why the rector had not first consulted his fellow members of the church council and asserted that the majority of the residents of the district were against a military display for raising funds when the Church was acting in support of disarmament proposals.

The rector, replying, said he could not be expected to agree to these views. He was a soldier as well as a priest and he became a priest because the Church was working (Continued on previous column.)

SHANGHAI ELECTION

AMERICANS LOSE
A SEAT

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Mar. 22. The chief surprise in the Shanghai Municipal election was that the Americans lost one of their two seats, Cammy not being returned.

Polling took place yesterday and to-day. Those elected are:—
Fukushima 1,218
Okamoto 1,210
Arnhold 1,162
Bell 956
Leslie 880
Raven 860
Massey 846
Barnson 843
Beith 840

Those not elected were:—
Carney 754
Hughes 680
Sowerby 318
Carran 300
Marden 334
Cumino 244

LOTTERIES IN ENGLAND

**BILL TO BE INTRODUCED
IN COMMONS**

(Reuter's Special Service.)

LONDON, Mar. 22. The promoters of the Irish Hospitals Sweeps are anxiously awaiting news of the fate of the Lotteries Bill in which the whole of Great Britain is interested, which Sir William Davison will ask leave to-day to introduce in the House of Commons.

The Bill authorises lotteries in Great Britain under specified conditions. The Irish promoters fear that the passage of the Bill will prove a serious blow to the Irish sweeps which get most of their money from Britain.

Irish Proposal.
It is understood that if the Bill is passed, efforts may be made by the Irish promoters to come to agreement with those responsible for the promotion of the British sweeps, whereby the two syndicates might run alternate sweeps. Even if leave is given to-day, however, the Bill will be unable to advance further unless it is given facilities by the Government.

The rejection of the Bill will be moved by Mr. Hopkin Morris, the Liberal M.P. for Cardiff, President of the Llanelly Rugby Football Club and a son of a Congregational Minister.

ROAD v. RAILWAY

FACTS TO BE INVESTIGATED

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Mar. 21. A committee, comprising four representatives of the railways and four of the firms engaged in goods transport by road has been set up with comprehensive terms of reference as follows:—
To investigate the facts relating to the total costs of the highway system—including the regulation of trade; the incidence of those costs, and the contributions of the different classes of users of mechanically propelled vehicles.

To consider and report on the nature and extent of regulations, which in view of modern economic development should be applied to goods transport by road and by rail, and, in the light of any conclusions reached under these heads, to make such further recommendations as they are able to frame designed to assist the two sides of the industry to carry out their functions under equitable conditions which adequately safeguard the interests of trade and industry, and to report by the end of July.

**BOOM IN BRITISH
STOCKS**

**PORT OF LONDON OFFER
OVERSUBSCRIBED**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Mar. 22. The operation of tightening the belt is not synonymous with a dwindling stock in this troubled island, judging from the fact that over £270,000,000 has been offered for investment in the past two or three weeks in response to capital issues for under £5,000,000.

The "Stags" operators buying to sell at a premium, have been particularly clamorous. A Port of London offer of £2,000,000 Five Per Cent. Stock, issued at 10½, was over-subscribed twenty-eight times.

Meanwhile, revenue officials are extremely gratified. The year's income tax estimate has already been realised with ten days to go. "It is magnificent," exclaimed an official at Somerset House, showing undiminished delight at this new experience.

TORNADO SWEEPS ALABAMA

105 KILLED:
HUNDREDS
INJURED

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, Mar. 22. Seventy people were killed, hundreds injured and rendered homeless by a tornado which swept Alabama, Tennessee and Kentucky. Alabama bore the brunt of destruction, sixty-four people being reported dead, while the town and north port are a mass of flaming ruins.

LATER.
One hundred and five deaths have so far been reported of which 93 occurred in Alabama, seven in Tennessee, four in Georgia and two in Kentucky.

Besides hundreds who were injured by falling masonry, thousands have temporarily been rendered homeless.

Torrential rains followed the tornado in Alabama hindering rescue work.

THE RUBBER CRISIS

SHARP BREAK IN PRICE.

[REUTER AND BRITISH WIRELESS.]

LONDON, March 21. "British rubber companies which are still able to exist must continue to reorganise and I am quite certain that they will have no difficulty in producing a considerably lower price than the Dutch."

This was the opinion to-day expressed by Mr. E. T. Campbell, M.P., who was for many years connected with planting enterprises in the Dutch East Indies, both rubber and tobacco. He acted as British Consul in Java for many years. He added that a steady, low price

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.30 p.m., stated:—

The anti-cyclone is situated over S. Japan, moving eastward. Local Forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy generally.

was always preferable and in the long run more profitable than a continuously fluctuating nervous market as had now prevailed for over a year owing to the restriction negotiations.

New Low Record.

A sharp break in the price of rubber followed the announcement that the proposals for the regulation of production or the export of rubber had been rejected.

Spot price was quoted at one and seven eighths pence, the lowest on record, but it recovered later to one and fifteen sixteenths. Rubber shares were nominal.

Questioned in Parliament, Sir Philip Cunliffe Lister said he was satisfied that the conclusion of the negotiations was inevitable in all the circumstances and it had been reluctantly accepted by both the British and Dutch Governments.

**INDO-CHINA RUBBER
PLANTATIONS**

PARIS, Mar. 22. A Bill authorising the Government of French Indo-China to issue a loan for Frs. 200,000,000 to assist the rubber plantations has been passed by the Chamber.

**OTTAWA IMPERIAL
CONFERENCE**

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Mar. 21. The Prime Minister was asked in the House of Commons whether it was proposed that selected business men should accompany Ministers to Ottawa for the Imperial Conference. He said the matter was at present under consideration.

**DANUBIAN STATES
ECONOMIC RELATIONS**

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Mar. 21. The Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, replying to a question in Parliament, said the subject of closer economic relations between the Danubian States, with a view to assisting their financial recovery, was under the active consideration of the Powers principally interested, including ourselves. He could make no announcement at the moment, but gave an assurance that the work of the Ottawa Conference would not be prejudiced.

MORE ADO AT DARTMOOR

CONVICTS
AGAIN THREATEN
AUTHORITIES

(Reuter's Special Service.)

LONDON, Mar. 22. After several weeks of comparative quiet at Dartmoor Prison extra precautions were taken to-day as a result of unrest last night, when convicts in three halls spent the night shouting, swearing, bell-ringing and threatening to break out.

This morning all the convicts were kept within the walls, except a few trusted men, whose sentences are due to expire, were allowed to carry out the essential duties on the prison farm under an armed guard. An armed guard was also on duty outside the walls of the prison.

All the wives and families of the wardens were warned to remain in their homes, but nothing happened.

The convicts evidently were cowed by the strength of the guard and allowed themselves to be taken to their cells.

**KING FORGIVES
GRANDSON**

**PRINCE LENNART
BLESSSED**

(Reuter's Special Service.)

MONT CARLO, Mar. 22. Although it is obvious everyone concerned in the reconciliation wants to keep the affair as quiet as possible, the King of Sweden received and bestowed his blessing on his grandson, the former Prince Lennart and his bride, whom he married under romantic circumstances in London.

Prince Lennart launched yesterday with Prince William, his father, with whom he has never been estranged.

AFRICA'S NEW CURRENCY

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CAPE TOWN, Mar. 22. The new South African currency unit will be a florin equal to 11,300,000 grains of gold, according to a Bill issued to-day. The florin will be sub-divided into 100 cents. The ten florin gold piece will be called a Rand. There will be silver coins of two and one florins and fifty, twenty and ten cents, and bronze coins of four, two and one cents.

**PRINCESS' MINIATURE
HOUSE DESTROYED**

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Mar. 21. The miniature house which was designed and built in Wales and presented to the Duke and Duchess of York for their daughter, Princess Elizabeth, was destroyed by fire to-day when being transported by road to London for exhibition.

The Duke, in a telegram to the Lord Mayor of London, expresses deep regret at the destruction of this wonderful specimen of Welsh craftsmanship.

The furniture which is in keeping with the model house, was in a separate vehicle and is safe. The house, which was big enough for the Princess to walk about in, will be rebuilt.

INDIAN SITUATION

OUTLOOK BRIGHTER

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Mar. 21. Answering a Parliamentary question regarding the political situation in India during the past week, the Secretary for India, Sir Samuel Hoare, said the broad effect of reports from the Provinces indicated a marked improvement in several directions.

In particular, the Muslim situation in Delhi, which was the cause of anxiety last week, had settled down better than was expected. There had been little trouble during the present week, and the number of convictions in some Provinces appeared now definitely on the downward grade. The tribal situation was clearing up better than was apprehended. Reactions of trans-frontier activities had been only local in the North-West Frontier Province, and had been set off by an improvement in other directions.

JAPAN'S POLICY IN MANCHURIA

YOSHIZAWA'S STATEMENT TO DIET
WAR MINISTER REVIEWS MILITARY
POSITION

"EVEN MORE SERIOUS THAN RUSSO-
JAPANESE WAR"

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, March 22. Mr. Yoshizawa when addressing the Diet on Japan's foreign policy, this afternoon, declared it was while Japanese Marines were moving in to their positions, in accordance with the general plan for the defence of the Settlement, that they were fired on by Chinese troops. He denied that it was the Japanese Marines who started the trouble.

Referring to Manchuria, he said that the efforts of local leaders to maintain peace, after the fall of the Manchurian Government, had gradually assumed the nature of a movement for autonomy and the declaration of independence was later made.

He was certain that it would be to the best interests of the new State if it respected the existing treaties, rights and interests of foreigners and to faithfully adhere to the principle of an Open Door.

Mr. Yoshizawa said that Japan's interests in Manchuria were mainly political, but in China mainly economic. He declared that it would be better if the National Government abandoned her anti-Japanese policy and directed her energies towards achieving internal unity and peace, and then there would be no room to doubt the possibility of restoring complete friendship and concord between the two countries.

WAR MINISTER'S STATEMENT

LATER. Declaring that the situation in Manchuria is still far from easy and requires constant vigilance, the War Minister speaking to the Diet asserted, "Peace in Manchuria from the standpoint of national defence is vital for Japan, therefore it is necessary that the present strength of Japanese troops there be maintained and, if possible, reinforced. This point is now being studied by the authorities."

The War Minister's speech also reviewed the development of military operations both in Manchuria and Shungshai. General Araki solemnly declared that the magnitude and profundity of the questions involved rendered the situation "even more serious to Japan than the Russo-Japanese war in certain respects."

Close observers interpret General Araki's emphasis for the necessity of maintaining at least the present strength of troops in Manchuria as foreshadowing the permanent stationing of about three divisions in Manchuria, instead of only one as prior to Sept. 18, 1931.

AN ARMAMENTS RACE?

LONDON, March 22. Expressing the hope that Government would state its attitude regarding the "Independent" State of Manchuria in the House of Commons this afternoon, the Manchester Guardian points out that Japan has every intention of remaining in Manchuria, and if the Covenant and the Nine-Power Treaty do not operate, causing her withdrawal to within the Railway Zone, the result would probably be an armaments race between the United States and Japan, thus frustrating the Disarmament Conference and making war inevitable.

[A Consular statement on this subject will be found on Page 12.]

**RUSSIA AND
JAPAN**

**VIOLATION OF PORTS-
MOUTH TREATY?**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MOSCOW, Mar. 21.

Further queries by M. Karakhan to-day elicited an assurance from Mr. Hirota that the Japanese Army in the Kwantung Peninsula was closely watching the activities of the Russian White Guards.

The Japanese military authorities were prepared, if necessary, to repress any political insurgent activity directed against Soviet Russia.

Regarding the new Government in Manchuria, Japan re-affirmed her adherence to the principle of the Open Door.

M. Karakhan's suggestion that the Japanese troop movements violated the Portsmouth Treaty, was denied by M. Hirota, who declared that the transportation and concentration of troops along the Chinese Eastern Railway was aimed at the protection of life and property and had no strategical object.

Mr. Hirota gave an assurance that Japan would observe the Portsmouth Treaty.

"The Japanese Government has no intention whatsoever of leaving troops on the Chinese Eastern Railway," he declared.

Mr. Hirota countered M. Karakhan's interrogation with a series of questions regarding the concentration of Soviet troops on the Russo-Korean border and the restriction of an aerodrome there. M. Karakhan asserted that all such reports were without foundation.

**TROTSKY'S LUCK OUT
REST CURE CANCELLED**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 21.

Wrecked on a lonely island in the Sea of Marmora, exposed to bitterly cold weather and a howling gale, without shelter of any kind, M. Leon Trotsky, the exiled Russian leader, had an exciting adventure yesterday.

M. Trotsky was a member of a fishing party, angling off "Dog" Island in the Sea of Marmora, when a sudden gust of icy wind, known in this part of the world as "The Black Breath," drove the motor-boat on the rocks.

Trotsky and his two companions just managed to scramble ashore before the boat was capsized and smashed.

They were marooned on Dog Island through the night, experiencing bitterly cold weather from which no shelter was available.

They were rescued by a fishing smack which observed their signals this morning.

Second Misfortune.
LATER. M. Leon Trotsky's luck appears to be out at the moment. After his very narrow escape from drowning, he was informed that his long-hoped-for holiday at Carlsbad, the Czechoslovakian health resort, where he was to have taken the cure, had been cancelled at the last moment.

The breakdown of the arrangements was due to the refusal of the Turkish Government to guarantee to place no obstacle in the way of his return to Turkey.

The Czechoslovakian Government consequently notified M. Trotsky that they were compelled to withdraw the permission previously given for him to enter Czechoslovakia.

Sports News

H.K.C.C. TENNIS TOURNAMENT

M. W. LO ENTERS SEMI-FINAL; SULLIVAN BEATEN.

On the Stand Court yesterday, M. W. Lo, ex-champion of the Colony, met and defeated J. W. Leonard in the fifth round of the Open Singles, by the odd set. He thus enters the semi-final, being the first to advance into this stage.

Yesterday's match did not produce sparkling tennis. It consisted, in the main, of patient driving in which both contented themselves with hitting steadily, with the result that the exchanges became rather slow. Neither attempted anything spectacular, nor did they take much risk.

Lo, as expected, tried to force the pace, but in doing so he committed errors, and soon after the match opened, he adopted the steady type of play. This suited Leonard who found Lo's shots easy to return, and whose defence was his chief weapon.

At driving also Leonard showed up favourably, and in the forehand, he outwitted Lo consistently. The winner mixed his shots up with better advantage, and it was in this department of the game that he pulled the match through after losing the first set. Lo developed cramp at 4-1 in the final set.

Closes Sets.

The best feature of the match laid in the closeness of the score in the first and second sets. Leonard delighted his supporters by pulling up from 2-3, 3-4 to win the set at 6-4, chiefly by his ability in retrieving shots from Lo who, in his anxiety to score points, found the set repeatedly. Lo, however, improved a little in the second set, and although Leonard drew level after being 1-3 down, and drawing to 4-5, from 3-5, the Chinese won the set. Lo played with greater confidence in the final set, and was able to break Leonard's defence, with the result that he gained a commanding lead of 5-1, winning the set eventually at 6-3.

In the same event, Ho Ka Lau defeated Sullivan in straight sets. The loser showed up more brilliantly and put in many fine shots, but could not break his opponent's defence which won in the end. The winner now meets E. C. Fincher in the fifth round.

Ng Sze Cheung scored an easy win over W. C. Hung, and thus qualifies to meet T. Honda in the fifth round.

RESULTS.

The results of yesterday's matches follow:—

Open Singles.

M. W. Lo beat J. Leonard 6-4, 4-6, 6-3.
Ho Ka Lau beat A. L. Sullivan 6-4, 6-3.
Ng Sze Cheung beat W. C. Hung 6-1, 6-4.

Handicap Singles "A."

A. C. I. Bowker (owe 3/8) v. O. from R. M. Henderson.
G. W. Sewell (owe 15/2) beat L. M. S. Lloyd (rec. 1/8) 6-2, 6-2.

Handicap Singles "B."

J. T. B. Evans (scr.) beat J. M. Wilson (owe 4/8) 6-2, 6-2.
H. F. Foley (scr.) beat D. S. Green (rec. 2/8) 4-6, 6-4, 6-3.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

Open Doubles.

T. Honda and T. Akiyama v. Ho Ka Lau and Yew Man Kit (stand court).
Lee Wai Tong and Luk Ding Cheung v. A. V. Remedios and L. A. Ribeiro.
H. A. Barros and F. J. Remedios v. A. J. da Silva and E. de Sousa.

Handicap Singles "A."

D. J. Valentine (owe 1/8) v. E. J. E. Naah (rec. 2/8).
O. E. Holmes (owe 15) v. S. E. Green (owe 10) or C. F. Hyde (owe 4/8).

Handicap Singles "B."

J. J. Ferguson (owe 5/8) v. D. F. C. Cleland (scr.).
A. H. Penn (owe 15) v. G. W. Stubb (owe 2/8).
B. R. Todd (owe 3/8) v. F. G. Nigel (rec. 2/8).

Handicap Doubles.

F. A. Redmond and L. Forster (owe 15/3) v. D. M. MacDonagh and G. W. A. Tuffin (owe 15).

JUNIOR CRICKET NOTES.

INDIANS HEAD LEAGUE TABLE.

[By "L.B.W."]

The Indian Recreation Club second eleven secured three very valuable points when they beat the Royal Army Service Corps in their league match on Sunday and they are now at the top of the league table. Although the Indians won the shield last year, they have not, up till now, occupied the premier position in the second division but now that they have forged ahead again, it is more than likely that they will carry off championship honours for the second year in succession.

The I.R.C.'s nearest rivals are Kowloon Cricket Club who are, however, only one point behind with the same number of matches played. They are by far the two strongest teams in the second division and what makes it more interesting is that these Clubs have to play each other to decide the destiny of the shield. Kowloon will have the advantage of playing at home but this is not of great importance, and I am of the opinion that the superior fielding of the Indians will more than make up for this.

The Batting and Bowling.

Now as regards the batting and bowling strength of the respective sides. Taking batting first, Kowloon have only four batsmen on whom they can count for runs and these are F. S. W. Smith, F. E. Lawrence, F. E. Skinner, and G. Lee. A. R. F. Raven can make runs at times but he is not very reliable, though if he gets going he is about one of the hardest men to shift. M. P. Madar is the mainstay of the I.R.C. batting. He is in very good form at the present moment and what with other batsmen like the two Sufflads, A. R. Abbas, K. Nazarin and A. M. Rumjahn backing him up, the side should get quite a lot of runs.

As far as the bowling strength of the sides is concerned, the Indians hold a decided advantage here. Arculli and Rumjahn usually open the attack for them—the former is fast while the other is medium (breaking both ways) and both are right handed. The change bowlers are the two Sufflads, A. R. Abbas, A. K. Ismail, M. R. Abbas, K. Nazarin, M. P. Madar and M. el Arculli. It will be seen therefore that almost every member of the team can take the ball for an over or two, and that there is plenty of variety in the I.R.C. attack.

Smith, Skinner, Overy and Lee are Kowloon's bowlers. The first named is very hard to play when he gets his lengths in but I doubt if the other three will cause the I.R.C. batsmen much discomfiture.

A draw will give the I.R.C. the shield and while Kowloon are confident of forcing a win, the feeling in the Soekunpoo camp is that they will come away with full points when they visit the K.C.C. on April 2. The meeting of these two sides should prove very interesting.

This Week's Matches.

As far as I know there are no league matches down for decision this week and as the Easter Holidays spread over the week-end, it will not be at all unlikely to see some of the teams engaged in all-day matches.

The present position in the second division is as follows:—

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Indian R.C.	9	7	1	1	21
Kowloon C.C.	9	6	3	0	22
Rocrojo	10	6	2	2	20
Craigengower	9	4	0	5	12
Police R.C.	10	3	3	4	12
Borderers	8	3	1	4	11
University	9	2	2	5	8
R.A.S.C.	7	2	1	4	7
H.K.C.C.	7	2	1	4	7
Civil Service	10	0	4	6	4

INTER-VARSITY SPORTS.

HONG KONG'S CHANCES REVIEWED.

TEAM LEAVES FOR CANTON TO-MORROW.

The Hong Kong University Athletic team will leave for Canton to-morrow to attend the second Inter-University Athletic Meet which will be held at Lingnam University on March 26 and 28.

The team is in great form. It possesses a javelin-thrower, A. T. Lee, who has covered a distance of more than 140 feet, and is a strong man in shot-put; N. Vargassoff, who broke the Varsity record at the last Annual Sports when he registered more than 66 feet. Hong Kong is confident of winning these two events.

In the 100 metres, V. Koppe will give the Canton students a good fight. He came in second in this event at the last Inter-Varsity Meet (1931).

In the 400, 800, and 1,600 metres, the University relies on D. J. N. Anderson whose times for these events are excellent.

C. Candah, it is heard, will easily cover from 20-21 feet in the Long Jump. The Lingnam man Philip Chao, too, has covered round about 20 feet 6 inches, but he is sick and has not yet recovered.

Hong Kong has little chance of winning the High Jump. Their best jumper, C. Candah, clears 5 feet 4 inches, but a Lingnam student, it is learned, has cleared 5 feet 8 inches recently.

In hop, step and jump, there is no rival for Szeto Kwong (Lingnam), who holds China's record in this event—44 feet.

Hong Kong Team.

The Hong Kong Varsity team is as follows:—

100 Metres:—V. Koppe, K. P. Gan, E. L. Gosano, S. C. Ho.

200 Metres:—E. L. Gosano, R. Symons, D. J. N. Anderson, S. C. Ho.

400 Metres:—R. Symons, D. J. N. Anderson, S. C. Ho, H. T. Woo.

1,000 Metres Relay:—D. J. N. Anderson, S. C. Ho, R. Symons, H. T. Woo.

Javelin:—A. T. Lee, E. L. Gosano, N. Vargassoff.

Long Jump:—K. P. Gan, D. J. N. Anderson, C. Candah, A. T. Lee.

Hop, Step and Jump:—C. Candah, L. de Silva, D. J. N. Anderson.

Pole Vault:—C. Candah, R. E. G. Leong, A. B. Tata.

220 Metres Low Hurdles:—A. T. Lee, C. Candah, C. T. Law.

High Jump:—C. Candah, C. T. Law, L. de Silva.

500 Metres:—D. J. N. Anderson, A. T. Nomanbhoy, H. T. Woo.

1,600 Metres:—D. J. N. Anderson, A. T. Nomanbhoy, S. P. Chang.

400 Metres Relay:—V. Koppe, K. P. Gan, E. L. Gosano, S. C. Ho.

100 Metres High Hurdles:—C. Candah, C. T. Law, K. P. Gan.

Shot Put:—N. Vargassoff, B. P. Tan, K. P. Gan.

Discus Throw:—N. Vargassoff, A. T. Lee, T. K. Lien.

10,000 Metres:—A. T. Nomanbhoy, S. Y. Cheng, D. Hunt, R. E. G. Leong.

Ladies' Events.

50 Metres:—A. Wood, P. C. Kwok, W. F. Kwok, O. Wong.

100 Metres:—A. Wood, P. C. Kwok, W. F. Kwok, O. Wong.

Shot Put:—B. Perry, C. Wong, G. Chan, A. Wood.

80 Metres Low Hurdles:—A. Wood, G. Chan.

Long Jump:—A. Wood, P. C. Kwok, W. F. Kwok.

Mr. Lee Hah Long, the Inter-Varsity Champion of 1931, is not participating this year, owing to his final year medical examination which is fast approaching.

FANLING GOLF.

RESULT OF BOGEY POOL.

The Bogey Pool, played at Fanling over the week-end, was won by I. H. C. Highest (all square). There were 29 entries.

R.H.K. GOLF CLUB.

LADIES' SECTION HOLD PRIZE DAY.

The ladies' section of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club held their annual prize-giving day yesterday when Lady Peel presented the awards won during the year. There was a very large and representative gathering present among whom was noticed Mrs. W. T. Southern.

Mrs. B. D. Evans, the popular and hard working secretary of the Ladies' Section, was presented with a cut glass bowl by the Committee as a token of their appreciation for the hard work she put in during her term of office.

The prize-winners were:—

Championship and Captain's Cup: Mrs. Lambert.

Taggart Cup: Mrs. Rodgers.

Ross Cup: Mrs. Robinson; runner-up: Miss Stevenson.

Approaching and Putting: Mrs. Cassidy.

Long Driving: Miss Robinson.

Subscribers' Prize (new course): Mrs. Forsyth.

ECLIPSE OF THE MOON.

HONG KONG RESIDENTS HAVE EXCELLENT VIEW.

What otherwise might have been one of the best views of the eclipse of the moon in the Colony was spoiled by the night being rather on the cloudy side last night when an eclipse, lasting from about 6 p.m. till early this morning occurred. Despite this handicap, however, local residents had a very excellent view of it, and as is usual on such occasions, the more superstitious Chinese people were heard beating drums and making noises of such nature almost incessantly in order to frighten away the demon lest he should eat up the moon and deprive us of our moonlight nights.

Enquiries from the Royal Observatory regarding the eclipse elicited the news that the eclipse started at 5 hrs. 58.7 mins. p.m. last evening when the moon entered the penumbra. It entered the umbra at 6 hrs. 50.2 mins. p.m. and the middle of the eclipse occurred at 8 hrs. 32.2 mins. p.m. when roughly 19/20ths of the moon was covered, leaving a very small bright rim.

The moon left the umbra at 10 hrs. 5.2 mins. p.m. and the penumbra at 1 hr. 5.6 mins. a.m. to-day and on the whole a very excellent view was had of it.

VARISITY FAREWELL.

MR. MORLEY LEAVES FOR HOME.

The Hong Kong University Engineering Society held a farewell tea-party at the University Union yesterday at 5 p.m., in honour of Mr. D. W. Morley, a member of the Engineering Staff, who is going home on leave, and who is about to be married.

The students and members of the Engineering Staff took the opportunity to wish Mr. Morley a pleasant voyage and a happy and prosperous married life.

Humorous speeches were made by Prof. C. A. Middleton-Smith, Prof. M. H. Rolley, Prof. W. Feid, and Messrs. A. H. Fenwick, and W. B. Flinnigan. Mr. K. S. Ng voiced the opinion of the students, in wishing their popular lecturer every happiness in the future.

Mr. Morley suitably replied, thanking all present for the honour they had done him. He wished the students every success in their coming examinations.

The party terminated with three cheers for Mr. Morley, followed by a "tiger".

Mr. Morley is leaving for Home early this morning.

I.I.D. CERTIFICATES.

According to a cable just received from Societe Internationale de Placements, Basle, Monday's official quotation for one sub-unit of the International Investment Deposit Certificate was £218.0, excluding dividends accrued.

SUGGESTED CHANGES IN SOCCER LAWS.

WHEN CLUB OFFICIALS ARE SUPERIOR TO A REFEREE.

The Rules Revision Committee have decided to recommend that the Council of the Football Association should sanction that alteration of No. 5 of the Laws of the Game to read:—"The player throwing the ball must stand on both feet on or outside the touch-line facing the field of play, etc." At present the provision is "with both feet on the ground outside the touchline."

It is also proposed to exempt Law 5 from the provisions of Law 17, in the first sentence, which reads:—"In the event of any infringement of Laws 5, 8, 9 or 10 of a player being sent off the field under Law 12, a free kick shall be awarded to the opposite side from the place where the infringement occurred."

The Referees Committee of the Association have given an interesting ruling on a point which might cause arguments in Shanghai, for it concerns late starts, which are not uncommon here. Birmingham County F.A. asked for an official decision upon the following:—"On account of a late start in a match, the referee asked, both captains, prior to the start, if they would agree to dispense with the interval of five minutes at half-time. Both captains agreed. When the first half was concluded, an official of one of the clubs (who was not a player) called his team from the field. If such an arrangement is made between the referee and both captains, it is within the right of a club manager, secretary, or committee, to veto such arrangement when the referee is preparing to carry it out."

The Referees Committee expressed the opinion that the official of the club had the right to over-ride the decision of the captain.

GOLD RUSH

ROMANCES.

SELLING LOVE RELIC OF 232 YEARS AGO.

A relic of a love romance of 232 years ago lay on a London shop counter long after the woman and her lover, whose names were engraved on the gold brooch, with the date 1700, had been forgotten.

Now it was just so much gold being sold by weight, like thousands of other relics in the present gold rush.

West End stores are being besieged by women who have unearthed these old family treasures, as well as by those eager to sell sovereigns for 27s. 6d. each.

Nine Gold Beads.

"We are buying 10 times the normal amount of gold," a member of the staff at Harrods told a reporter. "Most of the women want to dispose of brooches, rings, and other articles of sentimental value, some of which have lain in banks and vaults for centuries."

"One woman sold a necklace of nine gold beads, each a tiny locket containing a photograph of one of her children. There was also a pair of gold ear-rings each with tiny photographs of two other children, making eleven in all."

At John Bakers, Ltd., Kensington, it was stated that they were doing much more gold buying than usual. "It used to be silver," he said, "but now it is nearly all gold."

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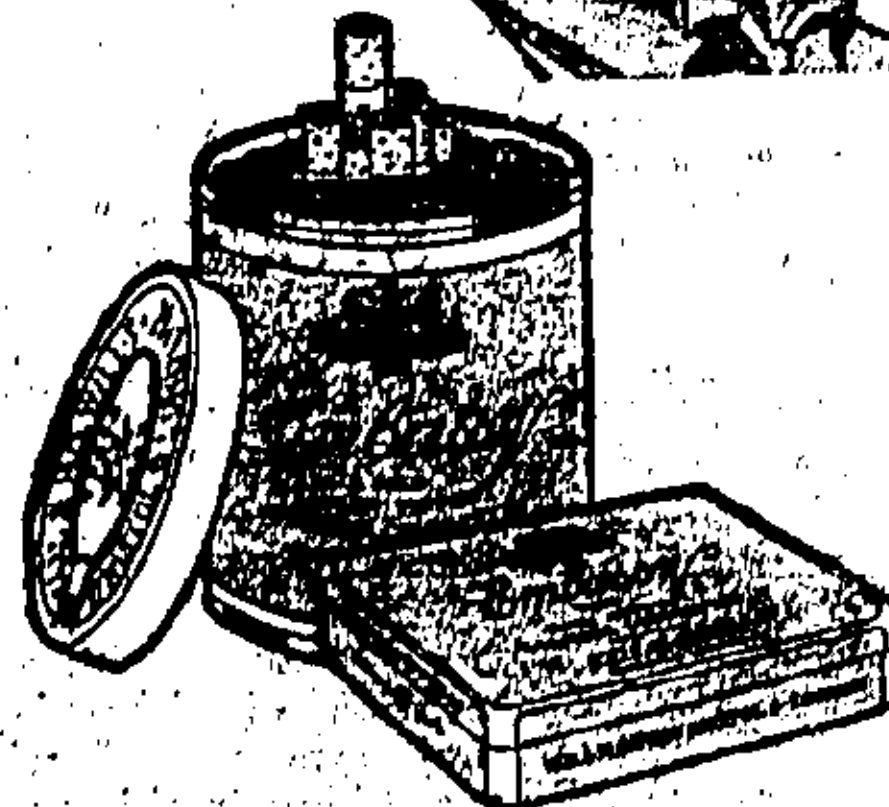
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UNION WATERBOAT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY SEVENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held in the Office of Messrs. Dodwell & Company, Limited, on Wednesday, the 30th March, 1932, at 3 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1931.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 23rd March to 30th March, 1932, both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.
(1931)

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 26th MARCH, and on MONDAY, 27th MARCH, 1932, commencing at 12.30 p.m. on both days. (The First Race will be Run at 12 o'clock noon.)

There will be an interval for Time after the End Race on both days.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members are notified that they and their Ladies must wear their Badges prominently displayed.

No one without a Badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including Tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon introduction by a Member, such Member to be responsible for Payment of All Obit, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

On No Pretext will Children be permitted in either Enclosure during the Meeting.

Plans are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered from the No. 1 Boy in advance. Telephone 21320.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The Price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00, including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

Bookmakers, the Tax Men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the Precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Times will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 21st March, 1932. [1932]

SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE, HONG KONG.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the Society of St. George, Hong Kong, will be held on Wednesday, the 30th day of March, 1932, immediately after the termination of the Annual General Meeting when the following Resolution will be proposed.

That the Rules of the Society be amended as follows:—By adding the following paragraph to the end of Rule 8:—The Committee shall have power to waive the payment of an entrance fee in the case of members of His Majesty's Forces and Civil Servants attached thereto who wish to join this Society.

By Order of the Committee,

LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
Secretaries & Treasurers.

Hong Kong, 21st March, 1932. [1932]

SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE, HONG KONG.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Society will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Wednesday, 30th March, 1932, at 5.30 p.m.

For the following purposes:—

- To receive the Report of the Committee and Statement of Accounts for the past year.
- To elect the Officers and Committee for the ensuing year.
- To consider the manner in which St. George's Day shall be celebrated.
- To transact any other business of which due notice has been given.

All Members are requested to attend.

LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
Secretaries & Treasurers.

Hong Kong, 21st March, 1932. [1932]

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THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the General Managers have (with the sanction of the Consulting Committee of this Company obtained at a Meeting of such Committee held here on the 14th day of March 1932) made a Call of \$50 per share in respect of the monies unpaid on the shares held by the Shareholders and that such Call should be paid on Wednesday the 30th day of March 1932 to the General Managers at the Office of the Company.

That the General Managers have (with the like sanction of the Consulting Committee) determined to employ the sum of \$400,000 part of the Reserve Fund of the Company in paying a Special Dividend of \$50 per share on the shares of the Company held by the Shareholders and that such Special Dividend shall be payable on the 30th day of March 1932.

Warrants for the Special Dividend can be obtained on application to the General Managers at the Office of the Company.

Should any shareholder fail to pay the amount of the said Call on the 30th day of March 1932 the General Managers will on the 31st day of March 1932 pay the amount of the above mentioned Special Dividend due to him in payment and satisfaction of the said Call.

After payment or satisfaction of the said Call in the manner above indicated a Memorandum showing the extent to which the shares are then paid up will be endorsed on all Certificates of Shares presented to the General Managers at the Office of the Company.

The Transfer Books and Register of Members of the Company will be closed from the 16th day of March 1932 to the 30th day of March 1932, both days inclusive.

Dated this 16th day of March 1932.

JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Managers
THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.
[1932]

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Sixty-third Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the undersigned on WEDNESDAY, the 30th MARCH 1932, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1931.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 16th to the 30th March 1932, both days inclusive.

JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Managers.

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.
Hong Kong, 9th March, 1932. [1933]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 43rd Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Thursday, the 31st day of March, 1932, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1931.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Saturday 18th March, 1932, to Thursday, 31st March, 1932, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
ALLAN KEITH,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 1st March, 1932. [1930]

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held in the Company's Board Room, 3rd Floor, Exchange Building, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 24th March, 1932, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1931, for the transaction of any other Ordinary business of the Company.

NOTICE is also hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from Monday, 14th March, 1932, until Thursday, 24th March, 1932, both days inclusive, during which period no transfers of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board
D. L. KING,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 7th March, 1932. [1932]

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HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the above named Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon on SATURDAY the 2nd day of APRIL 1932 for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing as Extraordinary Resolutions the following Resolutions.

- That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in manner following:—
(a) by the deletion of Article 84 and by the substitution of the following Article to be known as Article 84 in its place.
(b) Each Director shall be paid out of the funds of the Company as remuneration for his services the sum of \$2,000.00 per annum and such remuneration shall be deemed to accrue due in diem and be payable by half yearly instalments.

- By the insertion of the figure \$15,000.00 in the place of the figure \$10,000.00 in the fifth line of Article 105.
- That the foregoing resolution shall be retrospective and shall take effect from the 1st day of January 1932.

AND NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company will be held at the same time and place on MONDAY the 18th day of APRIL 1932 for the purpose of receiving a Report of the proceedings at the above mentioned meeting and of confirming if thought fit as Special Resolutions the above mentioned Resolutions.

Dated this 15th day of March 1932.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers. [1932]

CHINA ENTERTAINMENT AND LAND INVESTMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, King's Theatre Building, 5th Floor, on Wednesday, the 23rd day of March, 1932, at 12 Noon, to receive the Directors' Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1931, to elect Auditors, and to transact such other business as may be properly transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting of the Company.

And notice is further hereby given that the Register and Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 14th to the 23rd day of March, 1932, both days inclusive.

LIANG CHI HAO,
Managing Director.

Hong Kong, 1st Mar., 1932. [1932]

CHINA ENTERTAINMENT AND LAND INVESTMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the China Entertainment & Land Investment Co., Ltd., will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, King's Theatre Building, 5th Floor, at 12.15 p.m. on Wednesday, the 23rd day of March 1932, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit, passing the following Resolution:—

That there shall be added to Article 71 of the Articles of Association of the Company the words:—

"but the Chairman shall receive double remuneration."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the China Entertainment & Land Investment Co., Ltd., will be held at 12 o'clock Noon on Wednesday the 13th day of April, 1932 for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the above mentioned Meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution the above mentioned Resolution.

Dated this Second day of March 1932

LIANG CHI HAO,
Managing Director.

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THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING will be held at the Company's Office, P. & O. Building, on WEDNESDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1932, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1931, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 10th MARCH, 1932 to 23rd MARCH, 1932, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.

Hong Kong, 17th Feb., 1932. [1932]



BOOKS and READERS

ANOTHER WAR BOOK, AND LATEST NOVELS.

FOUR DAYS.

Four Days (August 28-31, 1914). By G. Spencer Pryse. London: John Lane. Pp. vi 303. 7s. 6d. net.

Mr. Spencer Pryse appears here as one of the war's accidental historians. In "real life" he is Spencer Pryse, the artist, but in the four days here recounted he happened to be in France, engaged on an official mission, which took him into the heart of the war. It was in the week following Mons, and on a journey by road which started at Boulogne and went by way of Amiens and Compiègne to the east of Soissons he contrived to get as thoroughly lost in the intricacies of the situation as were most of the Allied forces. Traveling with a succession of French officers, now through the confusion of the disorganised communications, now to some temporary "line of resistance," and more than once into country which had already been overrun, he saw the inside picture of the chaos which followed the British retreat and the break-down of all original defensive plans. It was a corner of the war, in time and space, which was soon to be forgotten by most of us with the beginning of the long siege that followed. Northern France was still an invaded country rather than an established theatre of war; arms were mingled with the people and the people with the armies; and the story is in a different genre from anything that has been put into more customary war books. Crisis, confusion, and the despair of the time are well pictured—but most of all confusion, for in those four days scarcely anyone, civil or military, knew exactly where he was or quite what was happening. And if Mr. Pryse's book scarcely tells us in any orderly way either where things were or how they came so, it is because he writes from the view-point of the four days themselves. Neither the author nor the most authoritative of his conductors knew very much beyond the confusion, and it is the confusion that he has set out to convey.

NONCONFORMISTS AT OXFORD.

"A History of Manchester College." By V. D. Davis. Allan and Unwin, 10s.

The history of Manchester College is in some measure the history of nineteenth-century Nonconformity. Shutt out from Grammar School and University by the regulations against Dissenters, the children of those who did not belong to the Established Church would have enjoyed few of the advantages of education had it not been for the Nonconformist Academy. And the Manchester Academy founded in 1780 was famous even before its final arrival at Oxford in 1839 as a post-graduate School of Theology. Mr. Davis has expended much thoughtful and devoted care on this work.

FORTS ROUND CHINA.

"The Political Philosophy of Confucianism." By Leonard Shih-lien Hsu. Routledge, 12s. 6d.

This scholarly volume has a strongly topical interest. Thus we read that "the 'Book of Change' declares that wise rulers provide strong forts in order to protect the country from foreign aggression." Indeed, Confucius regarded military equipment, together with economic sufficiency and popular trust as the three essentials of political security.

Professor Hsu has performed a great service in making accessible a volume of political instruction that should be as widely read as Machiavelli's "Prince."

CURES BY HYPNOTISM.

"A Hypnotist's Case Book." By Alex. Erskine. Rider, 5s.

People who imagine that hypnotism is merely a trick for the conjurer's platform should read this remarkable book.

The author is a practising hypnotist who, in his medical practice, claims to have cured even cases of blindness and paralysis that have been declared hopeless by the doctors. Neurasthenia and nervous strain have been equally successfully treated, and Arnold Bennett was among those who derived benefit from Mr. Erskine's treatment.

While most readers will be willing to accept Mr. Erskine's stories of the way in which hypnotism can cure drunkenness and the desire for drugs, we imagine that some readers will be inclined to boggle at the stories of experiments that verge into spiritualism. Nevertheless, they are all intensely interesting.

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THE MACAO JOCKEY CLUB.

PROGRAMMES and ENTRY FORMS for the Second Extra Race Meeting to be held in Macao on Sunday, the 3rd April, 1932, may be obtained at the Sports Club, Hong Kong Jockey Club Stables, or at the Office of Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming, 6, Des Voeux Road, Central.

ENTRIES close at 5 p.m. on Thursday, the 24th March, 1932. [1930]

HONG KONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., on Tuesday, the 28th of March, 1932, at 5.30 p.m.

By Order,
B. D. EVANS,
Hon. Secretary.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, 2, Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, 31st MARCH, 1932, at 11 A.M. for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1931.

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By Order of the Board of Directors
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 17th March, 1932. [1977]

hood of St. James' Palace apparently is nearly as crowded as a Tube-life at the rush hour, and among the unsavory visitors that Mr. O'Donnell enumerates in this very fascinating book are a headless woman in a red-striped gown and a tall, gray-haired man in evening dress who is to be seen walking in the rain without getting wet. Even the trees in that neighbourhood appear to be affected. One wooded hillock in the Green Park has been the scene of full Orphean rites.

Some years ago a member of the now defunct International Club for Psychic Research in Regent-street used to confide to me his admiration for a certain tree in this clump. He wrote sonnets to it, made love to it. He said it used to sigh and murmur when he spoke to it, but he could never interpret what it said, because it seemed to be talking in a foreign tongue and its voice sounded far away.

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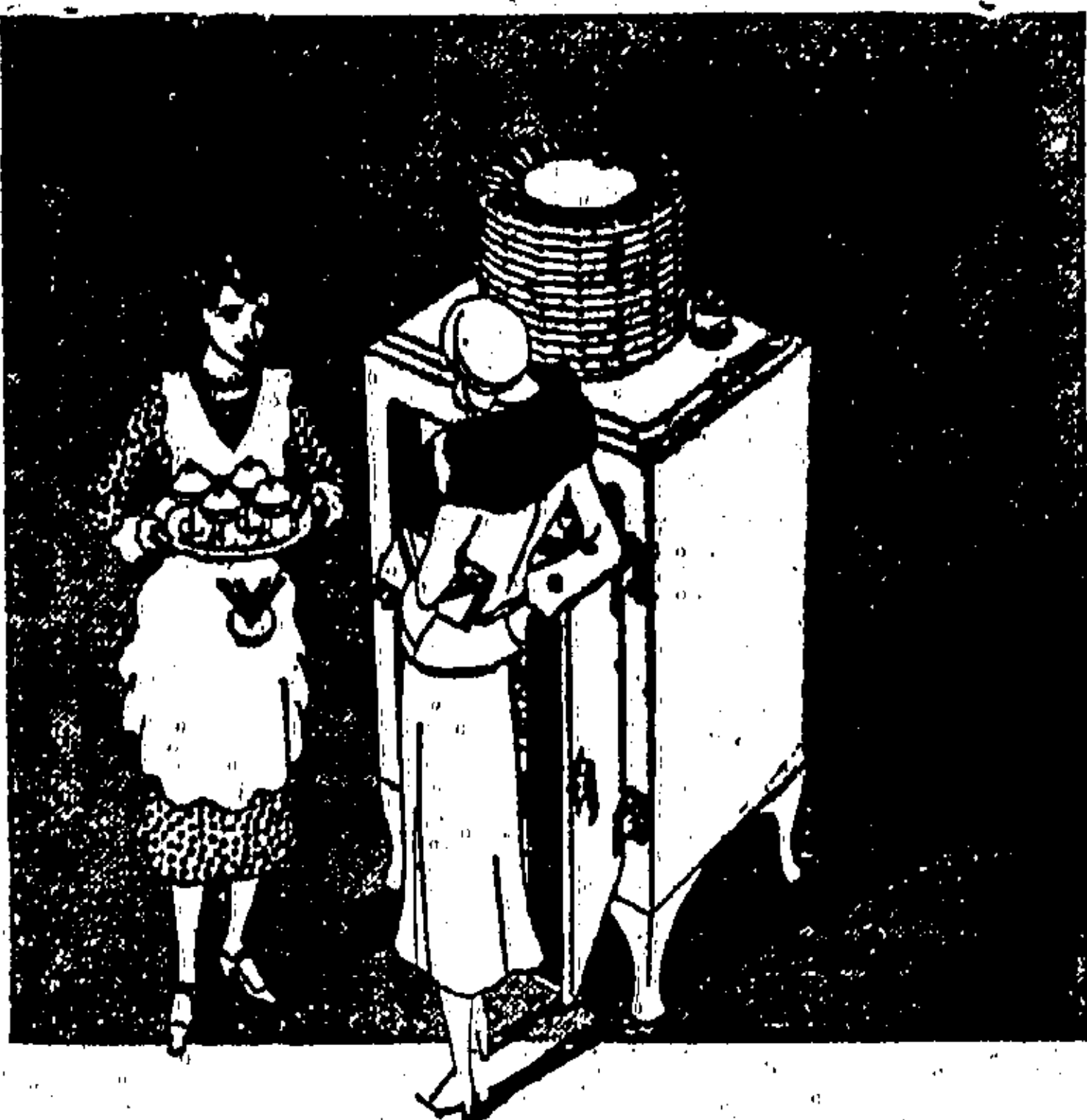
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JAPANESE VIEW OF THE CRISIS.

FOREIGN MINISTER'S STATEMENT.

ALLEGATIONS OF CHINESE AGGRESSION.

The Japanese Consul General has kindly forwarded us the following cable received yesterday from Tokyo:—

The Foreign Minister made the following statement regarding Japan's foreign policy in the Diet on March 22:

Regarding the anti-Japanese movement by China proper, the Japanese Government seized every opportunity to urge upon the Chinese authorities the thorough suppression of same. However, China failed to respond and the movement continued with increasing intensity and persistence. In Shanghai, where the agitation was conducted with special vigor, the *Minkuo Jihpao*, a vernacular journal, published on January 9, an article highly abusive of our Imperial House and on the 18th of the same month a Japanese priest and his companions were murdered or wounded by a Chinese mob.

The incidents were sufficient to inflame Japanese residents who had long endured ceaseless anti-Japanese movements and whose patience had been well-nigh exhausted under the trying conditions of recent months. The situation came to assume a grave aspect.

The Japanese Consul General in Shanghai, acting under instructions of the Government, presented the Mayor of Shanghai with a strong protest regarding these two incidents and at the same time made various demands for a settlement of affairs. The Mayor complied without much demur with our demands relating to the first incident, and after some delay and much conversation in the end accepted our terms regarding the second. On receipt of the Mayor's reply at 3 o'clock on the 23rd the Japanese authorities, anticipating that the situation would improve, adopted an attitude of watchfully awaiting fulfilment of their promise on the part of the Chinese.

Warlike Preparations.

In the meantime the 19th Route Army, then concentrated in the vicinity of Shanghai had assumed a disquieting attitude and made a display of warlike preparations, and the Shanghai Municipal Council decided to take due precautions against the possibility of disturbances created within the Settlement by undisciplined Chinese soldiers or by mobs and radical elements.

State of Siege.

Accordingly the Municipal Council, at a meeting on the 23rd, declared a state of siege to commence that day at 4 p.m. As a result the garrison forces were assigned duty at respective sectors in accordance with a prearranged plan of common defense.

It was while the Japanese marines were proceeding to take up their post in the Chapai district, their allotted sector, that the Chinese fired on our forces and compelled them to take measures of defense. Reports have sometimes been circulated, making it appear that it was Japanese marines who commenced fighting in spite of the Chinese acceptance of our terms of settlement, but the facts of the case are precisely as I have just stated.

Agreements for Truce.

Moreover, we exerted every effort to prevent an aggravation of the situation and upon two occasions we entered into agreements with the Chinese authorities for a truce, but each time the agreement was rendered nugatory by the action of the Chinese Army. Our demand, presented on February 10, that the Chinese army withdraw to a certain distance, was rejected by the Chinese. Thereupon, on the 20th, our troops, which had been dispatched as reinforcements, acting in concert with the Navy, undertook to compel the withdrawal of the Chinese forces outside the prescribed area and completed their task on March 3.

Application to League.

As soon as the Shanghai incident occurred the Chinese Government proposed that the Council of the League of Nations should make application of Article 15 of the League Covenant in the Sino-Japanese conflict and later, upon the request of China, the case was transferred to the Assembly of the League.

The Japanese Government took the view that the Shanghai incident was merely a local affair which was not of a nature likely to lead to a rupture. Regarding the Manchurian incident, not only had there been no renewal of hostilities but the matter was already in the hands of the League Council under Article 11 of the Covenant and moreover a commission inquiry had left for the purpose of conducting investigations on the spot into the actual conditions prevailing in China. There was therefore no legitimate ground for applying Article 15 to either of these cases.

It was with unequivocal reservation, based on that view, that our Government participated in the deliberations of the League Council and Assembly. However, the League Assembly passed a resolution on March 11, which was in more than one respect unacceptable to our Government. On account of this unacceptability, our representatives, under instructions from the Government, expounded the Japanese position, entered protest regarding the application of Article 15 of the Covenant and abstained from voting.

Manchuria.

In Manchuria, by reason of the special position it occupies in relation to China Proper and the inveterate antagonism the Manchurian people have towards the militarist rule to which they have been subjected, it appears that subsequent to the downfall of the erstwhile Manchurian authorities last autumn, efforts of local leaders for the maintenance of peace and order in their respective districts gradually assumed a movement for autonomy.

A declaration of independence was made a short time ago by former provincial governors and other Manchurian leaders. Our Government received a communication, dated March 12, from the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the new Government, announcing the establishment of a new independent

State of Manchuria. Regarding this communication, we have gone no further than to unofficially acknowledge its receipt. I am certain, however, that it will be in accordance with the best interests of the new State if its government will, as an announcement says will be the case, really respect the existing treaties, rights and interests of foreigners and faithfully adhere to the principle of the open door.

Regarding the various questions pending between Japan and the Soviet Union in connection with fisheries in northern waters, negotiations, assiduously conducted with Moscow since the end of last year, have so far failed to bear fruit. From the broad standpoint of friendly relation between the two countries, it is most desirable that we arrive at a fair and suitable settlement. In fact the difference in the views of the two Governments concerning a basis of settlement is gradually narrowing. It is the intention of this Government to continue their efforts towards carrying out our points and so to safeguard the legitimate rights and interests secured by us by treaty.

I have now given an outline of the latest developments in the foreign affairs of Japan. While interests of this country in Manchuria are certainly of paramount importance from a political viewpoint, those in China Proper are mainly economic rather than political.

Europe and America.

Consequently, if the Nanking Government and the Nationalist party abandon their anti-Japanese policy and direct their energies towards achieving internal unity, peace, economic prosperity and progress, there is no doubt as to the possibility of the restoring complete friendship and concord between the two countries.

I may add on this occasion a word about the atmosphere of Europe and America which have not always been sympathetic towards Japan since the outbreak of the Manchurian incident and especially since the Shanghai affair. That atmosphere has been created simply through the misrepresentation of facts emanating from Chinese sources or through misunderstandings of various kinds. I am confident that in time the sentiment of Western Powers will turn gradually in favour of Japan.

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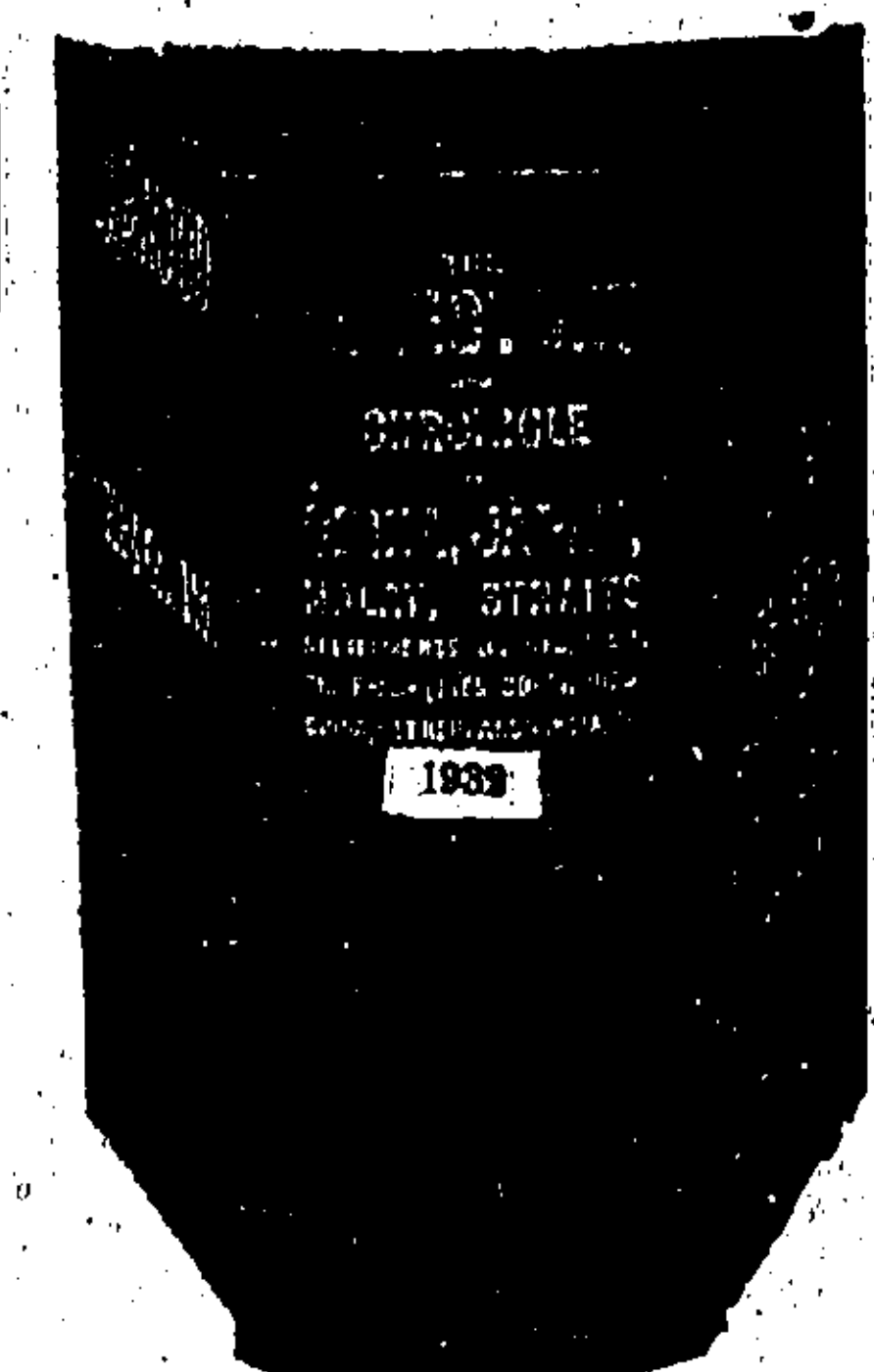
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BARCELONA

Sauerland, Jebson, March 31.
Derflinger, Melchers, April 2.

BATAVIA

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BEJAWAN-Deli

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BEYRUTH

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BOMBAY

Tango Maru, N.Y.K., March 28.
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Toko Maru, N.Y.K., April 13.
Gange, Dodwell, April 13.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, April 17.
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Somali, M. M. & Co., May 14.
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BOSTON

Pres. Harrison, Dollar, April 3.
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BREMEN

Alster, Melchers, March 29.
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BRINDISI

Torgeste, Dodwell, April 2.
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BRISBANE

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Tango Maru, N.Y.K., March 28.
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COPENHAGEN

Java, Manners, April 1.
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MACASSAR

Tjinogara, J.C.J.L., March 29.

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Nagara, Gilman, May 1.

MARSEILLES

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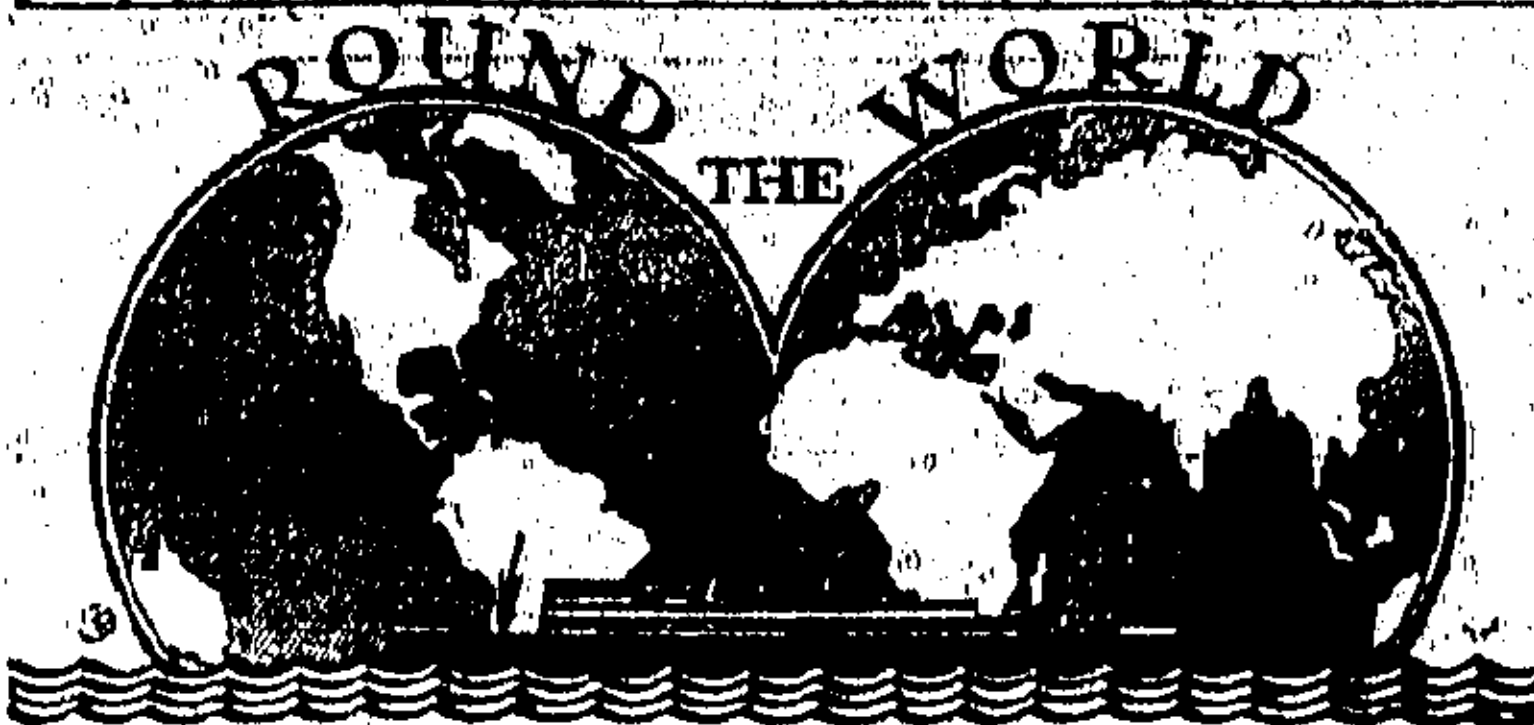
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Malaya, Manners, May 2.

Fusijama, Dodwell, May 3.

Porthos, M.M., May 10.

Conte Rosso, Dodwell, May 15.

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ROYAL OBSERVATORY'S DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

MARCH 21, 1932.														MARCH 22, 1932.													
STATION	HONG KONG TEMP.	BAROMETER AT SEA LEVEL		THERMOMETER	WIND DIRECTION	WIND FORCE	WIND WAVE	WIND WAVE	HONG KONG TEMP.	BAROMETER AT SEA LEVEL		THERMOMETER	WIND DIRECTION	WIND FORCE	WIND WAVE	HONG KONG TEMP.											
		Inches	Millis.							Inches	Millis.																
Wladivostok...	12	30.07	788.9	28	...	N	3	b	6	30.18	766.6	18	...	N	1	o											
Nemuro	11	29.57	751.0	...	...	NE	2	b	5	29.82	767.5	...	...	NNE	1	o							
Hakodate .....	...	29.70	754.5	...	...	WNW	5	...	...	29.84	758.0	...	...	WNW	6	...				
Tokio .....	...	29.88	769.0	...	...	E	1	...	...	30.06	768.5	...	...	NNW	2	...				
Kochi .....	...	30.08	783.0	...	...	WNW	1	...	...	30.20	767.0	...	...	WSW	1	...				
Nagasaki .....	...	30.26	783.5	...	...	NNW	3	...	...	30.24	768.0	...	...	...	0	...			
Kagoshima .....	...	30.24	783.0	...	...	NNW	3	...	...	30.22	787.5	...	...	...	0	...			
Oshima .....	...	30.28	789.0	...	...	N	3	...	...	30.24	768.0	...	...	S	1	...				
Naha .....	...	30.30	789.5	...	...	N	2	...	...	30.13	768.5	...	...	...	0	...			
Ishigakijima .....	...	30.28	769.0	...	...	NE	1	...	...	30.14	768.5	...	...	ESE	5	...				
Bonin Island .....	...	30.04	743.0	...	...	WNW	1	...	...	30.10	764.5	...	...	WNW	1	...				
Chosho	15	30.23	787.8	48	3	E	2	b	6	30.16	764.0	38	8	E	2	bc											
Shanghai	14	30.23	788.4	68	3	SE	2	b	...	30.17	763.4	47	4	ESE	4	bc											
Gutzlaff .....	...	30.23	770.4	32	4	S	2	b	...	30.23	768.8	47	6	SE	2	o										
Wenchow .....	...	30.19	766.8	56	6	E	2	b	7	30.10	764.5	56	6	N	2	o										
Foochow .....	...	30.27	768.8	68	6	ESE	4	bc	6	30.12	763.0	56	6	N	4	bc										
Amoy .....	...	30.29	768.4	59	...	E	5	o	...	30.11	764.8	57	...	NE	3	o										
Swatow	11	30.28	786.2	67	...	E	4	b	5	30.07	783.7	59	...	SE	2	bc											
Taihou .....	...	30.13	786.7	72	...	E	0	b	...	30.09	784.2	59	...	SE	0	b										
Taihu .....	...	30.18	786.6	74	...	E	0	b	...	30.06	783.6	63	...	...	0	b								
Taiman .....	...	30.12	785.6	72	...	ESE	6	b	...	30.04	783.1	66	...	NE	4	b										
Koshu .....	...	30.20	787.1	63	...	NE	6	o	...	30.06	783.0	61	...	N	4	bc										
Pescadores	16	30.11	784.3	61	7	E	5	o	6	30.00	782.0	60	6	E	4	od											
Hong Kong .....	...	30.09	784.3	70	7	ESE	6	o	...	29.99	781.7	74	7	ESE	6	o										
Gap Rock .....	...	30.07	783.8	68	4	ENE	2	o	...	29.98	780.9	59	4	ENE	2	d										
Macao .....	...	30.06	783.8	76	8	E	6	bc	6	29.96	781.4	70	8	E	4	b										
Hoihow .....	...	30.04	783.0	59	6	NNE	2	o	7	29.99	781.7	59	2	E	0	f										
Pratas Island	10	29.97	781.2	67	...	NW	4	o	...	29.95	786.9	68	5	NW	2	o											
Phulien .....	...	29.84	758.0	70	...	ENE	8	bc	...	29.84	757.9	75	6	ENE	4	f										
Tourane .....	...	30.09	784.2	72	8	ENE	4	bc	6	30.00	782.0	79	6	NE	4	c										
Cape St. James	14	30.03	782.8	74	4	E	4	o	...	30.00	781.9	68	8	E	0	o											
Basco .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.82	787.4	67	1	...	0	o		
Aparri .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.88	788.9	74	8	E	2	b		
Tuguegarao .....	...	29.29	759.3	86	8	E	6	bc	...	29.90	789.5	74	6	...	0	bc										
Vigan .....	...	29.87	758.8	79	6	NNE	4	o	...	29.83	757.7	76	4	NE	2	o										
Manila .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.82	757.8	74	8	NE	4	o		
Legaspi .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.85	758.2	76	8	NW	2	o		
Calbayog .....	...	29.80	756.8	83	8	NE	8	o	...	29.81	757.2	74	4	NE	4	o										
Tacolban .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.82	757.4	76	6	...	0	o		
Iloilo .....	...	29.83	757.7	77	6	N	6	d	...	29.83	757.6	74	6	...	0	c										
Cebu .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.89	759.2	74	...	ESE	2	bc		
Surigao	11.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Swamp	12.22	29.83	757.7	...	...	E	4	bc	4.52	29.81	757.3	...	6	ESE	4	bc									
Guam	11.00	29.82	757.4	...	...	ESE	4	bc	5	29.81	757.2	79	...	E	4	c									
Yap .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.89	759.3	76	1	...	6	...		
Pelaw .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Labuan	14	29.94	760.4	85	6	N	6	bc	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...				

March 22d. 10h. 45m.—The anticyclone has weakened. It is central near Nagasaki and moving eastward. Another is forming over E.E. Mongolia. Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1, 4.55 inches, against an average of 5.12 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON MARCH 23

Direction	Forecast
A—Shanghai to Tientsin	None.
B—Tientsin to Hong Kong	N.E. winds, strong, moderating; overcast at first, finer later.
C—Hong Kong to Gap Rock	N.E. winds, strong, moderating; overcast at first, finer later.
D—Hong Kong to Hainan Straits	N.E. winds, strong, moderating; overcast at first, finer later.
E—North China Sea	N.E. winds, fresh to moderate; fine to cloudy.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER

Hong Kong Observatory, March 22.

	Previous Day	On Date	On Date
	at 4 p.m.	at 10 a.m.	at 4 p.m.
Barometer...	30.08	30.02	29.91
Temperature...	61	63	62
Humidity...	85	79	80
Wind...	E	E	E
Direction...	E	E	E
Force...	5	3	4
Weather...	O	C	O
Rain...	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 21.81.

Lowest open-air Temperature, 22.83.

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mid; O=Overcast; P=Passing Showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

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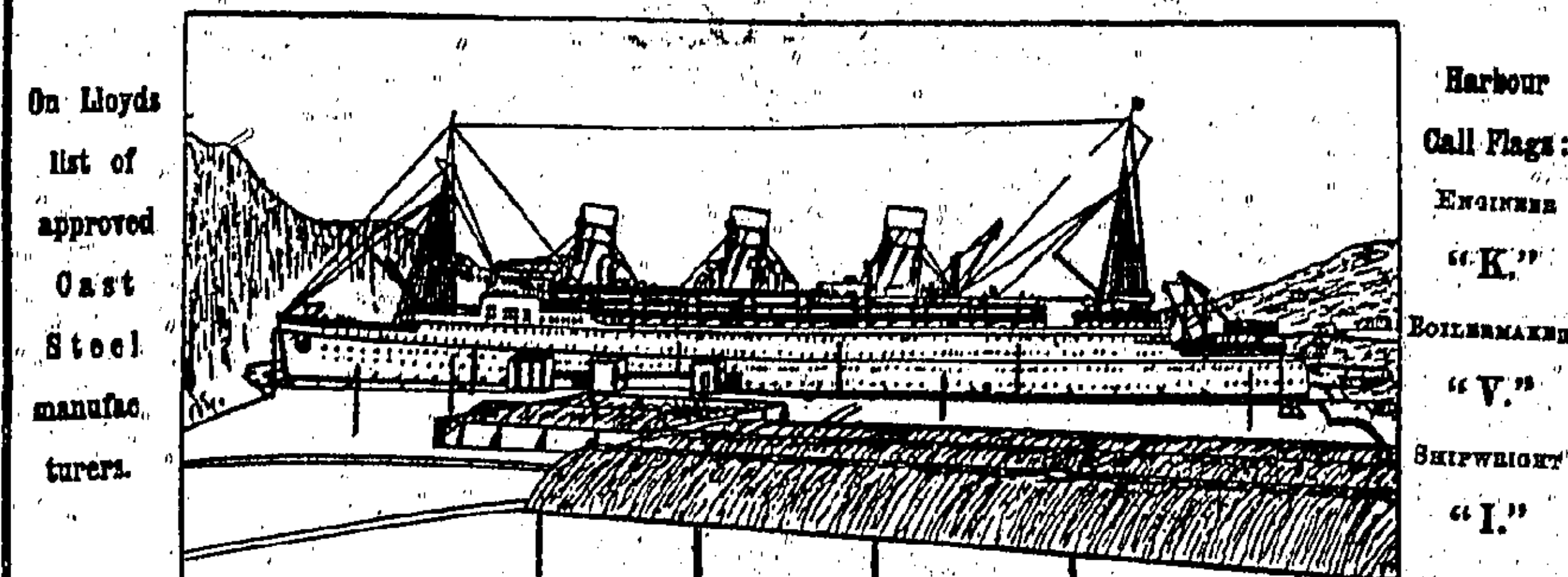
Day of Week	Day of Month	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Wed.	23	10.10	5.6	03.51	0.9
Thur.	24	10.35	6.1	04.34	1.3
Fri.	25	11.10	6.2	04.55	1.8
Sat.	26	11.45	6.5	05.35	2.4
Sun.	27	12.19	6.8	06.15	3.1
Mon.	28	12.50	7.1	06.55	3.8
Tues.	29	13.45	7.4	07.35	4.5

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SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"YUENSANG" "KUMSANG" "SUISANG"	Satur., 26th Mar., at 3 p.m. Wed., 29th Mar., at 3 p.m. Tues., 1st Apr., at 3 p.m.
YOKOHAMA via AMOY, SHAI, KOBE & OSAKA	"HOSANG"	Sun., 3rd Apr., at 7 a.m.
KOBE via AMOY & OSAKA	"KUTSANG"	Sun., 17th Apr., at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	"YUSANG" "MAUSANG" "HINSANG"	Wed., 30th Mar., at Noon Thurs., 31st Mar., at Noon Wed., 1st Apr., at Noon
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Consignees are requested to surrender their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for Counter-signature.

22nd March, 1932. [3005]

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Hong Kong, 20th March, 1932. [1984]

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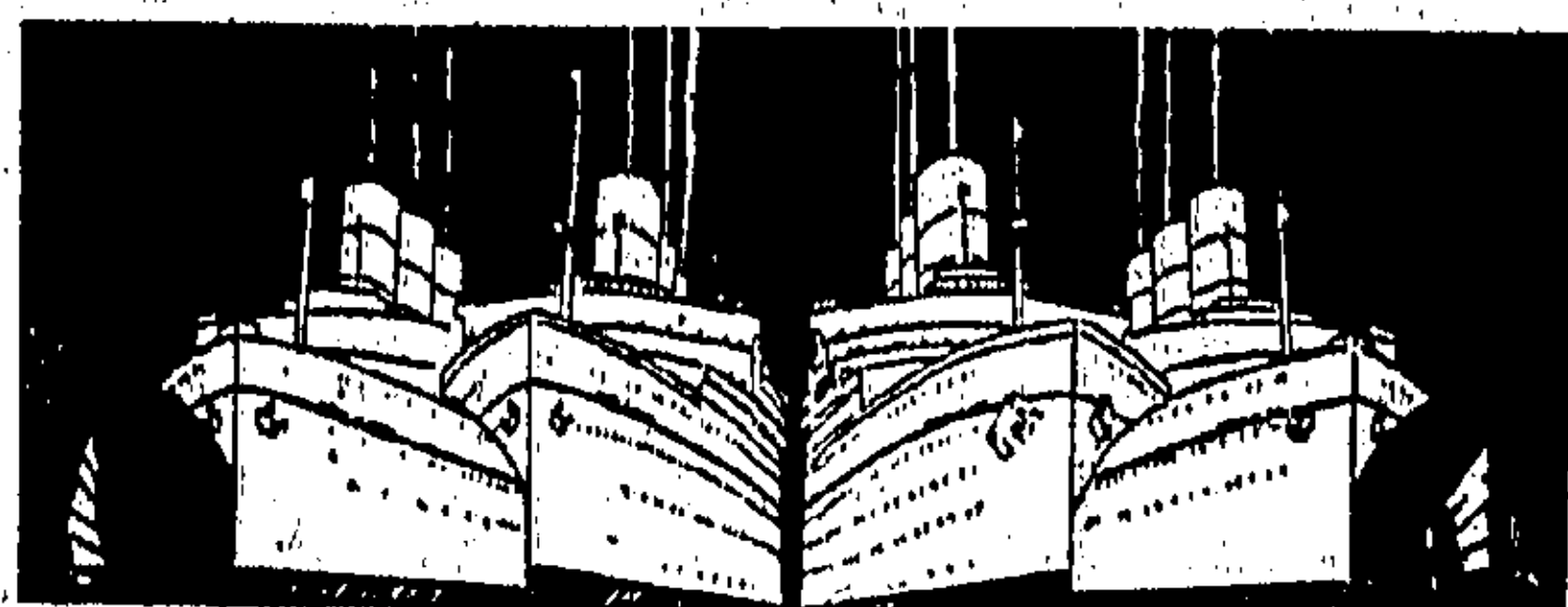
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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

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THROUGH CARGO

55,785 TONS.

The returns, shown at the Harbour Office, of vessels carrying cargo to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

British ... 101 ... 1,358
Osaka ... 101 ... 1,358

Warfield ... 5,253 ... 5,540

Taiyuan ... 300 ... 600

Teau, Dairen ... 190 ... 1,000

Kanchow ... 500

Hopsang ... 1,140 ... 124

Shun Chih ... 2,150

Saigon ... 2,150

— 9,134 — 10,539

American ... 1,410 ... 1,347

Pres. Wilson ... 3,000 ... 6,000

Wichita ... 87 ... 6,645

Baltimore ... 4,497 — 13,683

French ... 1,521 ... 5,841

Sinking ... 1,521 — 5,841

German ... 673 ... 6,350

Havel, Bremen ... 673 ... 6,350

Ramses ... 2,508 ... 6,150

Hamburg ... 2,508 ... 6,150

— 3,543 — 13,030

Dutch ... 5,084

Meerkirk ... 5,084

Yokohama ... 5,084

Norwegian ... 700

Biodd ... 700

Japanese ... 64

Hiye Maru ... 64

Tawaka Maru ... 737 ... 6,714

Nankwa Maru ... 6,390

P. Redon ... 7,141 — 6,714

Chinese ... 250

Sinking ... 250

K. C. Wan ... 250

— 250 —

Total ... 20,000 ... 55,785

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought

Asiatic deck passengers to the

Colony during the 24 hours ended

at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

Santhia (Dr.) Osaka ... 229

Taiyuan (Br.) Shanghai ... 858

Hopsang (Br.) Tongku ... 11

Shun Chih (Br.) Saigon ... 182

— 1,280

Total ... 1,280

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

The arrivals and departures during the 24 hours ending at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

Arr. Dep.

British ... 7 ... 0

American ... 3 ... 0

French ... 1 ... 0

German ... 2 ... 0

Dutch ... 1 ... 0

Norwegian ... 1 ... 3

Japanese ... 4 ... 2

Chinese ... 2 ... 1

Total ... 21 ... 12

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following warships were in

port yesterday:—

Basin.—Tamar.

North Wall.—Whitshed, Seamew.

South Wall.—Bruce.

East Wall.—Herald, Pandora.

Protea.

North Arm.—Cumberland.

West Wall.—Hermes.

Dock.—Keppel, Wren, Bridge-

water.

Taiko Dock.—Moth.

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Ramses, Pres. Wilson,

Douglas Lapraik.—Haiching.

Saikong.—Wing Lee.

Docks.

Kowloon.—Bremerhaven, Yuan

Jeng, Linchow, Tonjer, Sui Tai.

Taiko.—Linan, H.M.S. Moth,

Sunning, Hydrangea, C. St. Fran-

cis, Taming.

Buoys.

No. A1.—Chichibu Maru.

No. A2.—Meerkirk.

No. A3.—Wichita.

No. A4.—Santhia.

No. A5.—Tjikembang.

No. A6.—Modesta.

No. A7.—Havel.

No. B1.—Hopsang.

No. B2.—Anshun.

No. B3.—Haldan.

No. B4.—Clara Jensen.

No. B5.—Munim.

No. B6.—Shun Chih.

No. B7.—Sinking.

No. B8.—Hirundo.

No. B9.—Pongtong.

No. B10.—Shantung.

No. B11.—Mikesan Maru.

No. C1.—Graciosa.

No. C2.—Dorrie.

No. C3.—Taang Woo.

No. C4.—Kanchow.

No. C5.—Ryusei Maru.

ARRIVALS.

March 21.

Santhia, British str., 4,640 tons,

Capt. H. F. H. Gibsons, from

Amoy, buoy No. A6.—M.M. &

Co.

Warfield, British str., 3,003 tons,

Capt. R. Steel, from Rangoon.

Kowloon Wharf.—M.M. & Co.

March 22.

Clara Jensen, Danish str., 1,143

tons, Capt. K. Dahl, from Sai-

gon, buoy No. B9.—Yuen On.

Dorrie, Chinese str., 1,063 tons,

Capt. J. Bruhn, from Macao.

buoy No. C2.—Chau Yue Tong.

Hangsang, British str., 1,330 tons,

Capt. A. D. Kelman, from

Swatow, West Point Wharf.—

J.M. & Co.

Kanchow, British str., 1,322 tons,

Capt. J. W. Jenkins, from Can-

ton, buoy No. C4.—B. & S.

Kingyuan, British str., 1,346 tons,

Capt. John Taylor, from Ho-

how, buoy No. B15.—B. & S.

Kingchow, British str., 1,345 tons,

Capt. A. N. Taylor, from Sw-

tow, buoy No. B21.—B. & S.

Modesta, Norwegian str., 3,473 tons,

Capt. J. Thorvig, from Sw-

tow, buoy No. A10.—Kwong

Nam & Co.

Mikesan Maru, Japanese str., 1,092

tons, Capt. Hara, from Miki,

buoy No. B23.—M.B.K.

Sunkong, Chinese str., 322 tons,

Capt. Letung Pat, from K.C.

Wan, buoy No. B10.—Wo Hop &

Co.

Wichita, American str., 3,856 tons,

Capt. D. Holth, from Manila,

buoy No. A5.—States S.S. Co.

CLEARANCES.

March 22.

Dorrie, for Quinhon.

Haiching, for Swatow.

Hangsang, for Canton.

Havel, for Shanghai.

Hopsang, for Canton.

Kanchow, for Tientsin.

Kingchow, for Canton.

Meerkirk, for Singapore.

Modesta, for Singapore.

Pres. Wilson, for Manila.

Sinking, for Swatow.

Shantung, for Shanghai.

Tehekam, for Hoihow.

Illinois, for S. Francisco.

Tjisondari, for Muntok.

Tsang Wo, for Saigon.

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"BURDWAN"	6,800	2nd Apr.	Mars., L'don, Havre.
"CORFU"	15,000	9th Apr.	H'bg., B'dm., A'werp., & Hull
"RAWALPINDI"	17,000	23rd Apr.	Marseilles and London.
"RANPUHA"	17,000	7th May	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"OMALI"	6,800	14th May	do.
"ORIENTAL"	15,000	21st May	Bombay, Mars., L'don, Havre.
"RANCHI"	17,000	4th June	H'bg., B'dm., A'werp., & Hull
"BANGALORE"	6,500	11th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"NALDEHA"	15,600	18th June	do.
"KASIR-I-HIND"	12,200	2nd July	Bombay, Mars., L'don, Havre.
"BHUTAN"	6,000	9th July	H'bg., B'dm., A'werp., & Hull
"RAJPUTANA"	17,000	16th July	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"MANTUA"	11,000	30th Aug.	do.
"SOUDAN"	6,500	8th Aug.	Bombay, Mars., L'don, Havre.
"RAWALPINDI"	17,000	13th Aug.	H'bg., B'dm., A'werp., & Hull
"RANPUHA"	17,000	27th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"BURDWAN"	6,800	3rd Sept.	Marseilles and London.
"MALWA"	11,000	10th Sept.	Marseilles, London, Havre.
			H'bg., B'dm., A'werp., & Hull
			Bombay, Marseilles & London.

